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## Teen's organs help a record 8 people live

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A TEENAGER who died from a brain aneurysm has helped a record number of people, including five children, through organ donation.

Jemima Layzell, who died aged 13 in 2012, donated her heart, pancreas, lungs, small bowel and liver. That meant Jemima, of Horton near Ilminster, helped eight people.

Her unique status has only just been recognised after NHS Blood & Transplant checked historical donor records for Organ Donation Week 2017.

Jemima's parents said she was clever, compassionate and creative – and would've been very proud of her legacy.

Sophy and Harvey Layzell said they knew Jemima was willing to be a donor because they had spoken about it a couple of weeks before her death, after someone they knew had died.

Sophy, 43, a drama tutor, said: "They were on the register but their organs couldn't be donated because of the circumstances of their death."

"Jemima had never heard of organ donation before and found it a little bit unsettling but totally understood the importance of it."

"Everyone wants their child to be special and unique and this among other things makes us very proud."

NHS Blood & Transplant said no other donor had helped as many people.

Jemima's heart, small bowel and pancreas were transplanted into three different people – and two people received her kidneys.

Her liver was split and transplanted into a further two people and both her lungs were transplanted into one patient.

Normally, a donation results in 2.6 transplants and NHS Blood & Transplant said eight was very unusual.

Sophy said: "Shortly after Jemima died, we watched a programme about children awaiting heart transplants and being fitted with Berlin hearts in Great Ormond Street Hospital. It affirmed for us that saying no would have been denying eight other people the chance for life, especially over Jemima's heart, which Harvey had felt uncomfortable about donating at the time."

Sophy and Harvey are now encouraging parents to talk about organ donation.

"Every parent's instinct is to say no, as we are programmed to protect our child. It's only with prior knowledge of Jemima's agreement that we were able to say yes. Jemima was lovely – clever, funny, compassionate and creative – and we feel sure she would be very proud of her legacy."

Sophy, Harvey and Jemima's sister Amelia run The Jemima Layzell Trust, which helps young people with brain injuries and promotes organ donation.

NHS Blood & Transplant said hundreds of people are still dying unnecessarily while waiting for a transplant as too many families say no.

The organisation said that last year 457 people died waiting for a transplant, including 14 children.

There are currently 6,414 people on the transplant waiting list.



■ JEMIMA LAYZELL  
Picture by Layzell family/SWNS.com

### YEovil NEWS THIS WEEK

YEovil District Hospital is taking a tougher stance on smoking across its site in a bid to protect the health of patients, visitors and staff.

A new smoke-free policy has come into place, offering enhanced on-site support for those wishing to quit and tougher consequences for those in breach of the smoke-free status.

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### CHARD NEWS THIS WEEK

THE Project aims to celebrate its fourth birthday in style this month – by raising at least £15,000.

This would provide the youth mental-health charity with the remaining money needed to continue its services, including peer support groups in Chard and Axminster, for another year.

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### ILMINSTER NEWS THIS WEEK

ILMINSTER Cricket Club held a short ceremony to unveil new plaques on its memorial bench in memory of two stalwarts who died last year.

Tony Rice and Keith Harper died in 2016, having been involved with the cricket club for many years.

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### CREWKERNE NEWS THIS WEEK

A BOWLS club has been raising money for the League of Friends of Crewkerne Hospital by fining players for swearing on the green.

Collection boxes containing the fines have been handed over to the League of Friends – and there could be more to come as the scheme runs until the end of this month.

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**Scott Rowe**

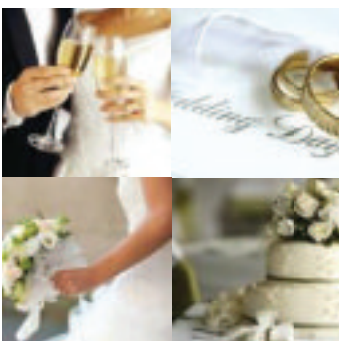
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# Last chance to save Yarcombe pub

A SMALL stone horse's head, over 1,000 years old, has become the unlikely key figure in a Devon village's fight to save one of the most historic and archaeologically important pubs in the South West.

Nicknamed 'Yarky' by locals, the horse's head is the hitherto hidden archaeological treasure which distinguishes The Yarcombe Inn, on the A30 between Honiton and Chard, as a landmark in medieval construction and a building of national heritage status.

So cherished is the little horse, which was found embedded in ancient stone foundations beneath the pub, that campaigners have vowed to return Yarky to his 'home' should they be suc-

cessful in winning back the ancient inn.

"He has become the symbol of our campaign, he's such a charismatic and endearing figure.

"None of us will rest until we've returned him in some way to the pub and put him back behind the bar where he belongs," declared Nick Randle, chairman of Yarcombe's parish council and head of the drive to save the ancient hostelry.

Supporting them in this plan is no less an establishment than Exeter's Royal Albert Memorial Museum, where Yarky is on display because of his historical importance and great archaeological significance.

He is not only the first ever recorded use in medieval Devon of Ham stone from Somerset but is

also a rare depiction of a Norman horse halter and bridle, providing a whole new perspective on the true heritage and origins of the ancient pub building.

Tom Cadbury, Curator of the Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter, said: "Yarky may be small but we can see how and why he is so important to everyone in Yarcombe. He is a rare survival and a fascinating symbol the village's history.

"We want to do all we can to help the campaigners in their endeavours."

Known officially as The Yarcombe Horse, Yarky was discovered beneath the pub's deep cellar in the 1990s as part of a carved and sculptured decorative corbel stone which would have been part of the interior of a much earlier building.

Because of the corbel's ornamentation and flat surface from which Yarky's head gazed downwards, experts from the Royal Albert Memorial Museum conclusively dated it to the Norman era as the last remaining vestige of an ancient church and religious settlement on the historic pilgrim path from Cornwall to Canterbury.

"Yarky is an absolute treasure as far as Yarcombe is concerned and his importance to us is huge and cannot be overstated. The pub is both his original home and a crucial link to a significant part of the village's heritage. That is why we are striving so hard to save it," points out Nick Randle.

To this end, the village has formed an action group and launched its own dedicated crowd-funding campaign - via [www.yarcombe.net](http://www.yarcombe.net) - to be able to buy the pub before a November deadline, when it will go on the open market after lying empty and dormant for the past 18 months.

An attempt was made earlier this year to get planning permission for the ancient building to be converted into housing but this move was re-

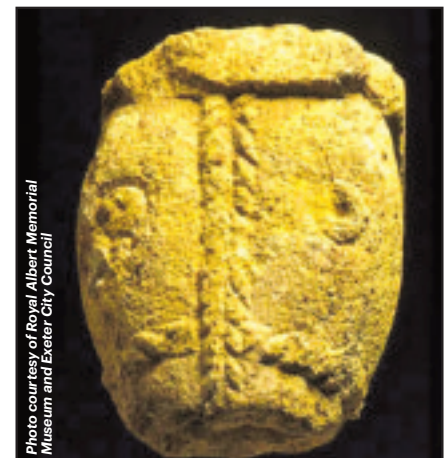
jected by East Devon District Council after the village successfully applied for it to be formally nominated as an Asset of Community Value.

Now, estate agents have been engaged and they have put it on the market with a £385,000 price tag.

Under Asset of Community Value rules, the village is allowed a six-month period in which no other bids can be accepted whilst it tries to raise the cash to try and buy the pub.

"We are going all out to galvanise the entire community of Yarcombe, the Blackdown Hills, Devon and South Somerset to get behind us and contribute to our fundraising campaign.

"It doesn't matter if people can manage only £1 or £20, every penny counts," said Mr Randle.



**HISTORIC:** The decorative stone in the shape of a horse's head

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## Top marks for Royal D&E stroke care

THE Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital has become the first acute hospital in the South West to achieve a Grade A score for its stroke care since the national stroke audit began in 2013.

The A grade, awarded by the Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme (SSNAP) for England, Wales and Northern Ireland for the period December 2016 to March 2017, is given only to trusts delivering the very highest standards of care from initial emergency scanning and drug treatment through to therapies and discharge home.

Only 16 per cent of stroke teams nationally achieved the top score and the audit programme refers to those achieving Grade A as 'world class' providers of stroke care. Dr Nicky Mason, Consultant for Stroke Medicine and Healthcare for Older People, said: "This is an extraordinary achievement for the RD&E.

"The stroke team is made up of a dynamic and caring group of individuals who are passionate about their work. "Achieving a Grade A has only been possible through the persistence and determination of staff across many departments to achieve the best for all patients. "A stroke can leave people with life-changing disabilities. "A stroke usually occurs without any warning so comes as a great shock to the affected individual and those close to them. "It causes great distress to those affected. "Patients often need to come to terms with a new perception of vulnerability about themselves. "The goal of our care is to minimise any long-term disabilities. "Whenever possible we support people to regain independence in their own home." Each year the RD&E treats around 700 stroke patients. It provides emergency stroke care on Clyst Ward, with intensive rehabilitation on Clyst and nearby Yealm Ward.

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■ ILMINSTER'S Andrew Fox finished top of the table to win this year's Seaton Town Crying Contest. Mr Fox was accompanied by his wife and town crying escort Julie.

The competition was organised by Seaton town crier David Craner, with the help of

Seaton Town Council. A total of 16 town criers competed last month, and Mr Craner said: "The competition went very well; the criers liked it. We also had a wonderful audience, which was very appreciative."

"We were lucky with the weather and a good

day was had by all.

"I hope to do it again next year, and I can't thank the town council enough for all its hard work to make it all possible."

Apart from the overall title, Mr Fox also triumphed in the best dressed category.

# Plans for Devon & Cornwall Police to merge with Dorset constabulary

DORSET and Devon & Cornwall Police have announced that they are considering merging their resources to form one force that would cover most of the South West.

The announcement came after the forces celebrated four years of their strategic alliance programme, which they say has seen significant efficiencies and a better working partnership.

Police and Crime Commissioners from both forces have informed the policing minister of their support for the Chief Constables' intention to actively explore options and will consult with key stakeholders such as MPs and local councils over the next few weeks.

If the conclusion is reached that the forces will join together, it is expected to take place in time for the next PCC elections in 2020, and it is expected that one commissioner would oversee all of Dorset, Devon and Cornwall.

In a joint statement Chief Constables Shaun Sawyer (Devon & Cornwall) and Debbie Simpson (Dorset) said: "The strategic alliance has made significant progress

helping us provide a more effective and efficient policing service to the residents of our three counties.

"We now see this as a timely opportunity to progress this alliance further, including a potential aim to merge our resources and create a more resilient police force."

"Policing has faced some significant funding challenges in recent years and we do not see this landscape changing."

"To preserve local, neighbourhood policing and deliver safeguarding within our communities, as well as an ability to respond to emergencies and emerging threats as effectively as possible, we view closer working as the only way forward."

Shared leadership is already in place across both forces with two deputy chief constables that share portfolio areas and directors that lead support functions and business areas across both forces, as well as operational commanders and heads of department in some areas.

Both Chief Constables added: "We have been able to make progress so far because of our staff's hard work and con-

scious effort to work in collaboration.

"Our officers across Dorset, Devon and Cornwall have similar policing styles, values and priorities with cultures based on delivering resilient and sustainable services to our communities."

"We feel that now is the right time to explore whether a full merger between the two forces is possible."

"We realise there may be statutory obstacles to overcome and there is a lot of work to be done to understand the benefits and challenges ahead."

"We will also ensure that the views and feelings of the public are taken into account."

"As a result, a decision is unlikely to be made quickly but we are absolutely committed to exploring the possibility of a merger in order to continue to provide a sustainable police service for all of our communities in the future."

Martyn Underhill, Police Crime Commissioner for Dorset Police, said: "I, along with Alison Hernandez [PCC for Devon & Cornwall Police], will be working with both Chief Constables over

the months to come to understand how such a move could help us to keep our communities safe across the three counties."

"Naturally, I will make sure any decision that is reached is fully informed by the opinion of the public that I serve."

"I have made no secret about my concerns regarding police funding and the difficulties faced by forces during a time of ever-complex and increasing demand."

"However, that does not mean that we should stop working tirelessly to make the best use of taxpayers' money."

Police forces across the South West have seen their budgets cut dramatically and both forces have had to raise their percentage of precept to cover costs.

A Band D property in Devon currently pays £176.28 of their yearly council tax to the police while in Dorset the figure is £194.58.

Dorset Chief Constable Debbie Simpson said it was likely that there would be an 'equalisation' of the rate paid but it was a subject that still needed to be discussed at length.

Tiverton and Honi-

ton MP Neil Parish, has joined with several other MPs across the region in voicing his concern with the proposed move.

Mr Parish said: "I am cautious about the merger of the forces. Although I support measures to cut back-office costs, I am wary about how big an area the new force would have to cover."

"Any merger must ensure we at least maintain our current level of policing and more money is invested in the frontline."

East Devon MP Hugo Swire said he was cautiously supportive over the potential merger: "Having spoken to the Chief Constable of Devon and Cornwall Police and having gained assurances on funding for our local police, I am cautiously supportive of this merger."

"A more joined-up approach to policing in the South West is vital for a number of reasons, including ensuring that we have the correct staffing levels, coverage for both our urban and rural areas and so that we can combat terrorism."

"From the very outset of this process, however, I will push for the combined head-

quarters to continue to be based at Middlemoor in East Devon."

"I will also be speaking to my other colleagues in Parliament to ensure that Devon speaks with one voice in support of the local communities that we serve."

## Police renew appeal

POLICE have renewed an appeal for information about an assault in Chard, which took place last month.

A woman was assaulted near the reservoir off Chaffcombe Road at about 4pm on Friday, August 4th, and police have released a still image of footage featuring two people who may be able to help officers with enquiries.

A police spokesperson said: "There are two people we have so far been unable to eliminate from our enquiries."

"A woman was walking her dog near to a stream and a bridge and at about 4pm other dog walkers in the area heard a scream, before the woman stumbled towards people with serious head injuries."

"We believe the two people pictured here may have information that could help with our investigation."

"We are also keen to talk to an 18-20 year old man with blonde hair, wearing a cream hoodie and carrying a rucksack in the area on the day."

"There was also a white man, in a black hoodie and black trousers, riding a dark-coloured mountain bike in the area at the time."

"We believe he was also seen locally the day before. He had a carrier bag over the handlebars of his bike in his right hand."

DS Lee Jones said: "This was a nasty unprovoked assault for which the motive is still unclear."

"We would like anyone who was in the area at the time to come forward and identify themselves as they may have key information that could help in our investigation."

"Forensic work is ongoing and thanks to help from the public we have over 120 lines of enquiry. But we feel that key piece of information is still out there. We hope identifying some of the people in the area on the day and talking to them will help us."

"We are also re-issuing an e-fit of a man we have been unable to identify, who was seen running away from the area. He is described as a white man, about 20-years-old, 6ft tall, medium build with a protruding stomach."

"His face was round, very red, and he had blonde hair with a side fringe that went partially across his left eye. He was wearing a black hoodie and black trousers."

The woman was being treated for her head injuries but is now in a stable condition.

Anyone with information should call 101 and ask to speak to DS Lee Jones at Yeovil Investigations quoting reference number 5217178432.

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## Navy personnel's good deed for Scouts

RNAS Yeovilton personnel dropped by to a nearby Scout hut and volunteered to give it a lick of paint.

A team of eight from the air station's unit personnel office swapped pens for paint brushes when they were made aware that the local Scout hut in Ilchester required a refresh.

Home to Wessex Scout Group, the hut – originally from the air station and 30 years old – was in desperate need of a repaint inside.

The eight volunteers gave up their time and, armed with 20 litres of magnolia and 10 litres of gloss paint, it was off to work they went to rejuvenate the hut.

Petty Officer (Writer) Jim Riley said: "Glossing over the fact that we are Royal Navy writers and have rarely if



■ **BACK**, from left, Sub Lieutenant Leo Whitney, Writer Lewis Adlan, Petty Officer Writer Nicola Window, Writer Matt Marlow and Writer Jake Meaker. **Front**, from left, Petty Officer (Writer) Jim Riley, Leading Writer Belinda Came and Chief Petty Officer Writer Michelle Evans

ever picked up a paint brush, the work was completed in five hours and included the main hall, two toilets and hallway but mostly

ourselves. It was quite good fun and nice to know the Scouts will benefit from an improvement to their meeting place."

Writers in the Royal Navy deal with pay, personal records and any manner of human-resource management tasks.

## Micro-enterprises deliver 3,500 hours of care each week

ALMOST 300 community micro-enterprises are operating across Somerset to support people to live independently at home.

Somerset County Council, St Margaret's Hospice and the Somerset Community Foundation have worked with the social enterprise Community Catalysts to deliver a project that helps people with good ideas to set up a very small help, care or support service.

Now 3,500 hours of care are delivered each week by these local micro-enterprises which offer a flexible alternative to traditional services.

In 2014 the county council recognised that people did not have enough choice and control when selecting care and support services to help them live at home.

To tackle the issue the council kick-started this innovative and forward-thinking project to grow more local, community-based carers to support people to stay independent at home.

The project provides small start-ups and existing providers with practical information on everything from regulation to training and sources of funding – as well as offering support, feedback and advice and signposting people to help on how to establish a new venture or grow an existing enterprise.

Since the project started, 471 inquiries from Somerset people interested in running a community micro-enterprise have been received.

Some 179 new community micro-enterprises have set up to deliver care to people at home, offering anything from end-of-life care to dog walking and home-help services.

An additional 96 established community micro-enterprises have been identified, engaged and supported.

Cllr David Huxtable, cabinet member for adults' services at Somerset County Council, said: "Local community micro-enterprises are filling a gap in the care market and giving people the option to have a flexible, local, independent carer who can meet their needs and help them stay independent."

"Now, 800 people are supported by commu-

nity micro-enterprises in Somerset, including older people, people with a mental or physical illness and disabled people.

"These people are now well supported at home by carers from their neighbourhood which means they can stay at home for longer and they are well connected to their community, contributing to avoiding loneliness."

Rhys Davies, from Community Catalysts, said: "We want people, wherever they live in Somerset, to get the help they need to lead a good life."

"The project has shown how we can release people's capacity to care through working with the energy and talent that already exists."

"By giving local people the right tools, support and a little bit of confidence we can offer other local people a real choice of personalised, high-quality services and support."

Tim receives support from a micro-enterprise.

He said: "The micro-provider we have used was kind, caring, consistent and considerate."

"She went the extra mile every time she visited. She always made sure she had plenty of time for visits and would pop in when requested by us. I can't recommend her enough."

Vanessa receives support from a micro-enterprise to look after her husband.

She said: "My husband Gerry wanted to die at home. This was only possible with the support of micro-providers."

"They gave us the opportunity to take control of his care without the stress. They come at times to suit us, are local, and they do exactly what they are supposed to do plus more."

"They go that extra couple of miles and we love them to bits."

"We had a provider who took us to appointments, we have even had providers sleep on an airbed on the floor in an emergency. I can't explain the difference this made. They are more like friends now."

To find out more about your local network of micro-providers, call Rhys Davies on 07595 411945 or email rhys.davies@communitycatalysts.co.uk.



# 'Wonderful community' thanked

THE owner of a dairy which has reopened after suffering flood damage this summer has thanked the "wonderful community" of Ilminster for its support.

Silver Street Dairy, in Ilminster's Silver Street, is welcoming customers again after being closed for repair work following flooding on July 23.

And owner Caroline Speke has been left hugely touched by the amazing response the shop's reopening gained.

Caroline said: "I wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone who came to support

us for our reopening. We loved welcoming all our old and some new customers.

"It never fails to amaze me what a wonderful community we have in our small town and beyond."

Caroline also thanked her staff – who she calls her Dairy Queens – for their continued support during the difficult past few weeks.

"Mega thanks for my Dairy Queens who, as usual, held the fort together far better than me," she said.

"You are amazing staff, and fantastic friends as well."



■ DAIRY owner Caroline Speke, second right, with her Dairy Queens Picture by Christine Jones

# Grants scheme aims to increase visitor numbers

AN exciting grants programme has been launched by South Somerset District Council, with the aim of increasing the number of visitors to Chard, Crewkerne and Ilminster.

Not-for-profit groups and organisations based in Chard, Crewkerne and Ilminster are invited to apply for grants to stage events and activities in the town centres.

Grants of between £200 and £1,500 are available from the total fund of £4,500. The scheme is a one-off, time-limited fund provided by the council's Area West committee.

The first round of grants are available until October 31. A second round will open from January 1 to February 28.

Events funded by the scheme must take place before the end of August.

Cllr Val Keitch, chairman of the Area West committee, said: "We are delighted to be able to launch this new grants programme for Area West.

"We look forward to hearing from groups about innovative and exciting events and activities that will not only engage with retailers in town centres but will ultimately help to increase the numbers of shoppers to our market towns."

Grants scheme decisions will favour events that are being run collaboratively, between two or more organisations.

You can find out more about the Town Centre Events Grants Programme, and how to apply, by sending an email to supportwest@southsomerset.gov.uk.



■ ILMINSTER is one of the towns set to be boosted by the grants

# Open day to showcase best of village

COMBE St Nicholas is preparing itself for a big open day where there will be plenty for visitors and residents to enjoy across four locations.

On Saturday, St Nicholas Church, the village hall, the Methodist church and the Green Dragon Pub will be hosting events showcasing the best of what the village has to offer.

At St Nicholas Church at 10.30am there will be handbell ringers performing, following which tea and coffee will be available. At the bell tower, weather permitting, throughout the day there will be spinning demonstrations and a local history display. The village hall will be hosting a craft fair

from 10am until 4pm – there there will also be a raffle as well as light snacks.

From 2pm to 5pm the Methodist church will be hosting an afternoon tea, as well as a table-top sale, and there will also be a chance to meet local organisations.

At the Green Dragon Pub from 3pm there will be a giant inflatable lorry, suitable for adults as well as children. Bridport-based band Vinyl Monkeys will be entertaining audiences at the pub between 4pm and 6pm.

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# Life's a beach for beer fans

THE annual summer beer and cider festival at the Brewers Arms in South Petherton has been a great success.

The four-day festival saw visitors enjoy a wide range of tipplers including finely named drinks to go along with a beach-party theme. Drinks included Calypso Cassata, Sunchaser, Golden Sands and Sunset.

There were various activities as well as the beer and cider drinking, with the ever-popular maggot racing, yard-of-ale competition, an ice-pole challenge and some limbo and hula-hoop action.

Winner of the yard-of-ale competition was Ryan Stanley in a time of two minutes and 17 seconds.

Runner-up was Ashley Clark who finished in three minutes and 43 seconds.

Gregg Howe won the ice-pole challenge where competitors had to eat two ice poles in the quickest time.



■ THE yard-of-ale competition was won by Ryan Stanley in two mins and 17 secs

■ TWO of the competitors in the ice-pole challenge



■ LORD Ashdown, third right, with other dignitaries at the opening

# Former Lib Dem leader opens school's new site

THE Park School's head Jane Huntington, staff and governors were proud to welcome more than 300 guests to their grand opening celebration at Chilton Cantelo.

Guest of honour was former Liberal Democrats' leader and Yeovil MP Lord Ashdown of Norton sub Hamdon.

Lord Ashdown conducted the opening ceremony and regaled the guests with an amusing and entertaining speech including some anecdotes about his own school days.

A plaque with a quote from Bishop Thomas Ken was unveiled and then positioned in the

entrance hall of Chilton Cantelo House.

Pupils, parents, grandparents, friends, past pupils, local residents and local dignitaries enjoyed a pleasant evening with drinks and canapes on the lawns.

And staff performed escorted tours to show off the newly acquired site.

The Park School's prep department, which includes Saplings Nursery, the pre-prep and prep children (ages three to 13), will now be based at the site in Chilton Cantelo, which will also house the boarders.

Riverside House is a purpose-built boarding house. It will now

be "home" for all the boarders who include a number of international students.

Mrs Huntington gave a speech outlining the history of both The Park School and Chilton Cantelo House.

She said: "We are delighted with the numbers of people who came to help us celebrate this landmark occasion in the history of both The Park School and Chilton Cantelo House.

"I would like to thank everybody who has worked so hard to make this happen, and we look forward to what will no doubt be a challenging but exciting academic year."

# Factory blaze destroys 70kg of plastic powder

SOME 70kg of plastic powder was destroyed when a loading machine at commercial premises in Cathole Bridge Road, Crewkerne, caught fire.

Firefighters were dispatched just before 5.20am on Tuesday, September 5.

A spokesman for the fire and rescue service said: "One fire appliance from Crewkerne, one from Yeovil and one from Chard were mobilised to this incident.

"Crews requested a further three appliances, which were mobilised from Chard, Yeovil and Beaminster.

"Crews also requested an aerial ladder platform and water carrier, both mobilised from Yeovil.

"Crews set to work to extinguish the fire using four breathing apparatus, one hose reel jet, one covering jet, one safety jet and one main jet.

"This was a fire involving a loading machine inside the factory. The fire within the loading machine ignited and destroyed 70kg of plastic powder.

"The machine was slightly damaged by fire and smoke and the remainder of the building was damaged by smoke. The cause of the fire was accidental."

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# Time to plant spring bulbs

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# Bowlers' swearing puts cash in hospital's kitty

THE eight days that Nick Whitfield spent in Crewkerne Hospital were "like heaven".

And he found a novel way of saying thank you that involved raising money from, among other things, swearing.

The way he was looked after by the staff at the hospital was marvellous, he said. He had gone there to recover after having a brain tumour removed in hospital in Bristol.

Nick is president of Merriott Bowls Club and he decided to make the League of Friends of Crewkerne Hospital his charity for this year.

His way of raising money was to introduce a system of fines: 50p for swearing on the bowling green, 20p for wearing incorrect clothing and 20p for using the wrong bias and sending the bowl in the wrong direction.

The season started at the end of May – and with two collecting boxes absolutely full, Ron Bond, chairman of the League of Friends, went along to collect the money that has been raised so far.

Please don't get the idea that Merriott Bowls Club is notorious for bad language.

Most of the money actually came from using the wrong bias, explained Nick, who said that the biggest contributors to the fines were Ian Kendall and Maureen Allen.

Members also top up the collecting boxes with loose change from their pockets and purses.

■ **NICK Whitfield, left, and Chris Truscott, centre, hand over the collecting boxes to Ron Bond during a match at Merriott Bowls Club**



The presentation to Ron of the collecting boxes was made by Nick and club captain Chris Truscott during a match at Merriott Bowls Club.

The good news is that there is still more to come for the League of Friends.

The collecting boxes have been emptied, the money counted and the boxes returned to the clubhouse.

The bowls season runs until the end of this month, so who knows how much swearing and using the wrong bias will take place before then.

In addition, Nick will also hand over the money raised by a quiz and a film show given by the Anoraks, the Merriott-based film-makers who are part

of Crewkerne & District University of the Third Age (U3A), earlier in the season.

This should mean a final donation of more than £200 in total going to the League of Friends.

"I'm grateful to Nick and the members of Merriott Bowls Club for their support and for finding such a novel way of raising funds," said Ron.

"As Nick says from his own experience, Crewkerne Hospital does a wonderful job and plays a vital part in our community.

"Their donations will go to benefit the hospital and the people of the town and surrounding villages who use it."



## Service station celebrates

MERRIOTT Service Station held an open day to celebrate becoming part of the Premier brand.

Co-owner Phil Venn said: "We gave out lots of goodie bags with a selection of goods, and had face painting for the children – and some adults – by Isabel

Bending. We also held a free raffle over the next two days for a Pimm's hamper, which was won by a local man Jamie Hewitts.

"We would like to thank all our customers for continued support, and welcome new customers," added Mr Venn.



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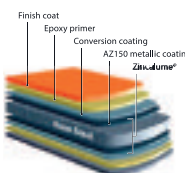
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# Antonia puts herself in shop window for charity head shave



■ **FAMILY, friends and passers-by** stop to watch Antonia Moreland have her head shaved in the window of the Edinburgh Woollen Mill shop in Yeovil

SHOPPERS in Yeovil town centre saw something they do not normally expect to see – a woman sitting in a shop window having her head shaved.

Antonia Moreland, 28, decided she wanted to do something for the Macmillan Cancer Support charity, so agreed to volunteer for its Brave the Shave initiative.

Her mum works at the Edinburgh Woollen Mill clothes store in Middle Street, Yeovil, so when Antonia announced she was to have her hair cut off for charity the plan escalated to her having it done in full view of town-centre shoppers.

She bravely took her seat in the shop window of the store, with family and friends – plus those shoppers who decided to stop and watch – looking on, while hairdresser Melissa Disson, from the Sharpfellas salon next door to the Edinburgh Woollen Mill, did the necessary deed.

There was applause when the head shave had been completed and Antonia was full of smiles and said she actually liked her new look.

Even more important is that Antonia hopes to have raised around £400 for Macmillan Cancer Support,



■ **HEAD-SHAVED**  
Antonia Moreland with hairdresser Melissa Disson who carried out the deed; inset, Antonia before the shave

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# Hospital gets tough on smoking

YEovil District Hospital is taking a tougher stance on smoking across its site in a bid to protect the health of patients, visitors and staff.

A new smoke-free policy came into place on September 1, offering enhanced on-site support for those wishing to quit and tougher consequences for those in breach of the smoke-free status.

Despite declines in smoking prevalence over recent decades, 12.3 per cent of adults in South Somerset still smoke and it remains the single largest cause of health inequalities and premature death.

For every death caused by smoking, approximately 20 smokers are suffering from a smoking-related disease.

The new policy has a stronger emphasis on supporting smokers to manage their cravings and will see a greater presence of smoke-free advisers in the hospital, supporting patients from the moment they are admitted.

It is hoped that by intervening at this optimum time, combined with continued support, the hospital will give patients a greater chance of success in breaking the addiction.

At the same time, hospital security will be stepping up their approach to tackling smokers and those responsible for smoking litter – this includes working with the council to enable them to fine those seen dropping cigarette ends.

Dr Tim Scull, Yeovil District Hospital's medical director, said: "As a hospital it's essential that we set a responsible example to our community and protect the health of patients, visitors and staff.

"We simply cannot justify allowing people to smoke on our site, particularly in areas which create a second-hand smoke hazard to others – at best it's an unpleasant inconvenience; at worst it can be distressing and dangerous.



■ DR Tim Scull, Yeovil District Hospital's medical director

niency; at worst it can be distressing and dangerous.

"Our message is simple; if you are coming to Yeovil District Hospital, as a patient or a visitor, you will not be able to smoke anywhere on hospital grounds.

"If you choose to smoke, you will be asked to move off site. We will also do our best to signpost you to available quitting support.

"We know that quitting isn't easy, but by being clear on our zero-tolerance approach and by directing people to support which is available within the hospital and in the community, we can certainly help people to address their addiction."

As well as protecting people's health, the hospital also wants to address the problem of smoking litter – a problem which costs YDH hundreds of pounds to clean up every month, and which causes a real nuisance to local residents.

Working with the council, the hospital has placed two discreet smoking bins off-site and away from pedestrian entrances and exits.

It has also pledged to help council enforcement officers to fine those seen dropping smoking litter.

Dr Scull said "Every penny we spend on the daily task of clearing up smoking litter is money we could be spending on treating patients.

"If you do want to smoke when visiting us, all we ask is that you take a few additional steps away from the hospital entrances and exits to the off-site smoking bins.

"A member of staff will be happy to direct you.

"Every day in our hospital, we are treating people who are battling against the often-devastating effects of smoking.

"The launch of our new smoke-free policy represents the start of a renewed, stronger commitment to help prevent smoking-related illnesses before they occur by making Yeovil District Hospital truly smoke-free.

"We hope local people will support us and help make this a success."

For more information and support to quit, visit [nhs.uk/smokefree](http://nhs.uk/smokefree)

■ YEovil District Hospital Picture by Alastair Johnstone SWNS.com



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Crewkerne has its share of small industrial estates with cutting-edge technology businesses and manufacturers, and visible from many parts of the town, the trees and fields of the beautiful South

Somerset countryside which surrounds the community.

Crewkerne is lucky to have a wide selection of eateries, from small cafes such as Bilbys to local pubs, a traditional hotel in the market square and a selection of take-aways. Crewkerne also boasts a Farmers' Market and other visiting stalls. A visitor will also be surprised to find a variety of leisure outlets including the Crewkerne Aqua Centre, an independent museum, and an excellent Local Information Centre at our Town Hall.

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# Mental-health charity aiming to raise £15,000

THE Project aims to celebrate its fourth birthday in style this month – by raising at least £15,000.

This would provide the youth mental-health charity with the remaining money needed to continue its services, including peer support groups in Chard and Axminster, for another year.

The Project, which is part of Action East Devon (registered charity number 1134611), provides a vital service for young people, who have mental- and emotional-health issues, aged 13 to 24 across South Somerset, East Devon and West Dorset.

Through peer support groups, The Project supports up to 80 young people at any one time. Part-funded by Comic Relief, it raises matchfunding through donations and fundraising from organisations, groups and individuals.

Providing a place in one of its support groups for a young person with mental-health issues costs The Project £1,200 per year, so it relies on the generosity of supporters to keep this service free and accessible to all.

The Project hopes that in running a successful crowdfunding campaign, it can secure the money needed to safeguard the immediate future of the service.

Debbie Humberstone, The Project's founder, said: "Since The Project opened four years ago, it has grown and expanded the support it offers so more young people are now able to benefit.

"As it grows, the amount we need to raise each year to keep the service running also increases.



"Grant funding is becoming harder and harder to secure, so in addition to generating our own income through our successful mental-health training courses, we are trying out crowdfunding as a way of raising funds.

"So many young people now rely on our support to help them through difficult times, and we work tirelessly to keep our groups running.

"We now have waiting lists for some of our groups as more and more young people turn to us, and demand for places increases.

"Statistics show that young people's mental-health issues are on the rise, so it is vital that The Project continues.

"We hope that people will feel inspired by the rewards on



■ DEBBIE Humberstone

offer to make a donation to our #Support4September campaign."

Young people who attend The Project's support groups experience a variety of mental-health problems, including anxiety, exam stress, bereavement, eating disorders, depression and bullying.

They don't need to be diagnosed with a mental illness to be referred.

The groups provide young people with a safe, inclusive environment where they can participate in activities which teach them tools and skills that they can use to deal with their difficulties in everyday life.

The Project also runs a monthly support group for parents and carers, works closely with schools to educate teenagers about mental health and delivers mental-health training courses and workshops.

The Project hopes to keep providing mental-health information, help and support well beyond its fourth birthday – the success of the #Support4September campaign will give it a head start.

By supporting The Project this month, you will ensure it can support young people in future.

You can donate to the #Support4September campaign, gaining one of a series of rewards – including T shirts, hoodies and workshops – on offer in the process, by visiting [crowdfunder.co.uk/theprojectyp](http://crowdfunder.co.uk/theprojectyp).

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The crowdfunding page can be found at [crowdfunder.co.uk/theprojectyp](http://crowdfunder.co.uk/theprojectyp).

## 'Time to ring changes at old telephone box'

A TATWORTH woman has suggested that a redundant telephone box in the village should be turned into a book exchange.

Jill White said that it is a shame that the iconic red kiosk, pictured, close to the parish church at the entrance to the village off the A358 was just standing there but not serving any purpose.

"There's nothing inside the phone box," she said. "BT have taken out the phone, so it is just a box without a phone.

"But I'm sure the village could make use of this by perhaps turning it into a book exchange or a mini library.

"I've seen this happen in other parts of the country and it's been a big success."

Jill believes it would not take a lot of work to install some shelves and then fill the kiosk with books which people could borrow and return once they have read them.

Redundant phone boxes have also been used to house potentially lifesaving defibrillators.

Ilminster Town Council has only recently agreed to buy a phone box in the Market Square from BT for a nominal £1 fee and install the defibrillator which can be used by the public in the event of someone having a heart attack.

But Tatworth already has three community defibrillators, so Jill believes the phone box could be used as a book exchange with people making a donation each time they use it – the money would go to charity.

"I think it would be really good – it would be great to get a variety of books in there for people of all ages to enjoy," she said.

"I hope Tatworth & Forton Parish Council will look into this and perhaps think about buying it from BT."



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# Fete raises £8,200 for charity



■ THE fete was in safe hands with firefighters from Ilminster Fire Station who are seen here with event organiser Angie Blackwell

AN AMAZING day of fundraising took place near Ilminster when well-known local florist Angie Blackwell held a charity country fete.

The fete was held at Sunnymead in Ilton and there was plenty for all the family to enjoy.

Visitors were blessed with glorious sunshine to help make the day even more perfect.

Angie, of award-winning Cottage Flowers in Ilminster, was delighted with the day. She

would like to thank everyone who helped with the organisation of the fete, donated prizes, lent a hand on the day or visited and enjoyed the event.

A whopping £8,200 had been raised – at the time of writing – with the proceeds going towards the Beacon Centre at Musgrove Park Hospital in Taunton and an outside classroom project at St Mary's and St Peter's Primary School in Ilton.

Fete pictures by **CHRISTINE JONES**



■ YOUNGSTERS in the sack race



■ MUSIC was supplied at the fete by a steel band



■ TRYING out the digger



■ THE mayor of Ilminster, Cllr Val Keitch, and a young visitor at the fete meet Monty the donkey; inset, serving up the all-important liquid refreshments is Tracey Norman of Ilminster's Harlequin Carnival Club

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*Your guide to Education and Fitness in Ottery St Mary*

## TAE KWON-DO

OTTERY Taekwondo or Ottery St Mary Taekwondo has recently been awarded the UK Sports Clubmatters Clubmark. Clubmark is the Sports England mark of high quality sports club. We are not certain how many sports clubs have Clubmark in Somerset, Devon & Cornwall but as far as we know we are the only Taekwondo club who has been awarded this Clubmark south of Bristol.

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#### Ottery Scout Centre

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Sundays 6:00-7:00pm



## Ottery St. Mary Active life and Active mind

**For extracurricular activity, Ottery St Mary would receive an A\* thanks to the vast range of activities for the public to keep an active mind and an active lifestyle.**

Keeping active doesn't only mean hitting the gym regularly (although that is one way to do it), keeping active is all about making sure your mind is as healthy as your body, this can be achieved in several ways. Maybe by learning a new language? Or volunteering with local organisations?

Last year, Ottery St Mary Town Council gave their support, to an initiative from Cllr Josefina Gori to promote how to keep an active mind and life in Ottery.

Mrs Gori, who is a Spanish teacher has spelled out nine reasons why learning a new language can be beneficial to you.

### 1. Meet new people

One of the most phenomenal benefits of learning a new language? Doors are opened to you around the world. If you're learning in a group setting, you immediately have new friends to share your new language with. If not, then once you go somewhere and are actually able to employ what you've learned, you'll be surprised how open people are when you speak their mother tongue.



### 2. Employers love it (and they'll love you more)

If your C.V. accolades include fluency in a second language, your chances of employment in today's economy are much greater for you than for those who speak only one language.

Multilingual people are able to communicate and interact within multiple communities. Potential employers consider this a valuable asset in an employee's skill set, as they're able to connect with a broader range of people. In this new age of start-ups, companies are increasingly breaking into new markets. You up your personal and professional value if you're able to negotiate with manufacturers in another country or communicate with customers who don't speak your native language.

Not to mention, your ability to speak a second language conveys that you're motivated and driven to learn new skills, and this also gives you a competitive edge over those who haven't yet become bilingual.

### 3. It's becoming essential

Many would argue that bilingualism is becoming a progressively necessary and essential skill for anyone who wants to keep up with today's rapidly increasing global economy. As more and more people recognize the importance of learning an additional language, those who only speak one language will begin to get left behind in our shift towards a more integrated and connected

**Beth and Andy Taylor who run Ottery Tae-Kwon Do, are 2nd degree black belts and have been training in the martial art since 2003. The dynamic duo are encouraging people of all ages and abilities to try out the martial arts as there is more benefits then just being able to defend yourself.**

- **Total body workout:** Martial arts are a high-aerobic workout that uses every muscle group in the body. Your stamina, muscle tone, flexibility, balance and strength will all improve through martial arts.

- **Healthy lifestyle:** Due to the total-body nature of a martial arts workout, tons of calories are burned during every class. However, you'll also find that your natural eating signals become better regulated, so food cravings will disappear and you'll eat less as a result.

- **Self confidence:** Due to the goal setting, positive encouragement and respect for values that are part of all martial arts programs, the greatest benefit usually reported by martial arts students is greater self-confidence. You become more comfortable in all situations – whether you're in danger or simply doing a task that takes you beyond your comfort zone — and you'll discover you can accomplish anything you set your mind to.

- **Improved cardiovascular health:** Research has found that the only real way to improve the status of the



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global society.

## 4. It's great for traveling

Austrian philosopher Ludwig Wittgenstein is credited with saying that "the limits of your language are the limits of your world," and he was right.

Knowing more than one language opens up your vacation destination possibilities. Traveling through a foreign country becomes much easier if you can speak the language of that country. Fluency isn't required. Locals anywhere appreciate that you've taken the time to at least attempt to learn and communicate in their tongue. It shows a greater level of respect and is an easy way to meet new people.

Also, getting to a comfortable speaking level in a foreign language is a great motivator to get you out there and practicing your new language in a new country.

## 5. After learning one, it's easier to learn another

As you begin to learn a second language, you'll find that the acquisition techniques you're using can be applied to learning additional languages as well.

The positive cognitive effects of learning to speak a second language can train the brain to analyse and process different linguistic structures. It's not specific to your first target language — it's a skill that can be applied to learning any language.

## 6. You become smarter

Acquiring a second language improves your memory and increases your attention span. The process of becoming bilingual exercises your brain, challenges you to concentrate and boosts your problem solving skills.

Bilingual students tend to score higher on standardized tests than monolingual students, especially in the areas of vocabulary,

reading and math. As you learn to toggle from one language to another, you improve your multitasking abilities. Bilingual individuals have also been shown to be more logical and rational, have better decision-making skills and be more perceptive and aware of their surroundings.

## 7. You'll stay smarter for longer

Recent research has shown that bilingualism can stave off the effects of Alzheimer's and dementia by years. Regardless of their education level, gender or occupation, bilingual subjects in the linked study experienced the onset of Alzheimer's, on average, 4 1/2 years later than monolingual subjects did.

## 8. It boosts your creativity

Researchers are also concluding that multilingual speakers are more creative than monolingual speakers. Learning a foreign language improves not only your ability to solve problems and to think more logically, it also makes you experiment with new words and phrases.

## 9. It builds up your self-confidence

You're about to teach yourself to believe, "yes, I can." It'll become your new personal mantra.

Confidence increases when a new skill is mastered, and learning a foreign language is no different. It increases your self-confidence. And let's face it: confident people are more interesting than those who are unsure of themselves. The techniques you use to develop a second tongue result in a greater sense of open-mindedness.

There are lots of ways to stay active and happy in Ottery St Mary, with plenty for the whole family to get involved with.

**cardiovascular system is by participating in activities that stress the heart, such as martial arts.**

• **Weight loss:** A one-hour session of moderate intensity martial arts can burn up to 500 calories.

• **Improved reflexes:** Research has found that by participating in martial arts, you not only improve your reflexes while performing the activity, but actually experience faster reaction times during all activities of your life. This is very important in a number of daily activities, such as driving.

• **Focus and stillness:** As Bruce Lee pointed out, behind the punches, kicks and knees, a true martial artist learns to sit with himself and see where his weaknesses are. As a martial artist, your will learn what it is to be still, challenged and focused.

• **Teaches great morals and values:** Martial arts wisdom has it that after consistent practice, one becomes less impulsive and aggressive towards others. The Shaolin moral code for example comprises 12 ethics, 10

**forbidden acts and 10 obligations. Patience, insight and calmness are considered pre-requisites of good Kung Fu. This reminds students of the right attitude, frame of mind and virtues to strive for inside and outside the studio.**

• **Muscle tone:** By participating in martial arts, you can greatly improve the amount of muscle mass you have in your body. The higher your muscle mass, the higher your metabolic demands will be, and subsequently the more calories you will burn each day, thereby helping prevent obesity and promote weight loss. High levels of muscle mass also lead to increased agility, thereby preventing falls as you age.

• **Better mood:** Researchers have found that participating in a regular exercise routine is one of the best ways to improve your mood. Performing martial arts is not only a good way to relieve stress and frustration, but may actually help to make you happier. The endorphins released by physical activity appear to be active in your body for as many as four hours after exercise.

## SPANISH CLASSES

WHY would you like to learn a language? There is now good evidence to show that bilingualism could protect the brain in later life. We all look at keeping our body fit but very often forget about keeping our brain fit. The Spanish classes at the Town Council give you an opportunity to put that brain to work while enjoying a friendly, active and motivating atmosphere.

Learning can only take place when you are enjoying what you do and we can assure you both will happen when you join our classes. All levels are offered, from Beginners to Advanced and Conversation in day and evening classes, plus the added attraction of allowing you to move from one group to another one during the term when working or personal circumstances dictate it. Our end of term Spanish Dinners are very popular and also all the different activities programmed during the term. Come, join us and you won't be disappointed (the coffee is good too). Call Josefina at 01404 811583 or 07941 459441 for more information as her 37 years of experience in Adult Education will come handy when finding the course that will best suit you.

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## Concerns over 'dangers' of petrol station shortcut

PEDESTRIANS and cyclists are being asked to avoid using the Tesco filling station's forecourt in Ilminster as a shortcut.

The petrol station on the corner of Orchard Vale and Ditton Street has sometimes been used by people who nipped across the forecourt on foot or bicycle to cut off going the "long way round" of the pavement or road.

But there are concerns that this could lead to an accident on the busy forecourt, with motorists coming to and leaving the petrol station.

One motorist was taken aback recently when he was about to pull away in his car after filling up when two young lads shot in front of him on the forecourt on a bike and child's scooter.

"They looked back at me and put their hands up to apologise, so they obviously knew what they'd done had been a bit stupid," said the motorist.

"But it was just lucky when they did it. They came from behind across the pump islands in front of me at quite a speed just as I was turning the engine on.

"If they'd been a second or two later I'd have been pulling away and they might have collided with me.

"It was dangerous and it would seem common sense that a petrol station's forecourt is not really the place for children to be riding through on bikes and scooters.

"If they do, it won't be long before there is an accident and somebody is seriously hurt."

A spokesman for the Tesco store in Ilminster said the incident was not the first. The store has now requested that people refrain from using the petrol station's forecourt as a shortcut.

# New plaques pay tribute to cricket club legends

ILMINSTER Cricket Club held a short ceremony to unveil two new plaques on its memorial bench in memory of two stalwarts who died last year.

Tony Rice and Keith Harper died in 2016, having been involved with the cricket club for many years.

Mr Harper died in November after a bravely fought illness. He started playing both cricket and football in the early 1960s and during his time with Ilminster CC he was 1st XI captain, Sunday XI captain, club chairman, treasurer, fixtures secretary, club secretary and groundsman.

Mr Rice died the previous month at the age of 75 following a long battle with Parkinson's disease and is widely regarded as Ilminster's greatest all-round sportsman, having chalked up notable achievements in football and cricket.

His involvement with Ilminster CC lasted some 60 years including 17 successive seasons as captain.

Mr Rice was also groundsman for more years than can be remembered, and he ended up with 11,000 runs and many wickets and catches to his name for the club.

Family and friends of Mr Harper and Mr Rice gathered at the club's headquarters, now named the Tony Rice Bar, on the Ilminster Recreation Ground for the unveiling ceremony of the plaques on the memorial bench.

"It was a great tribute to some great club members," said a spokesman for Ilminster CC.



■ **FAMILY** members of Tony Rice and Keith Harper with the Ilminster CC memorial bench  
Picture courtesy of Tony Rice's daughter Claire Rice

Later that day the Ilminster CC 1st XI won a thrilling West of England Premier League game against Taunton Deane in the final over with Craig Rice, Tony Rice's son, hitting two massive sixes.

The memorial bench was first unveiled in June 2016 in memory of Richard Crabb, Viv Joslyn, Billy Parsons and Pete Hurford, all valued supporters and players of Ilminster CC.

## GRIEF JOURNEY SOUTH SOMERSET



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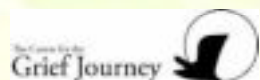
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## Help and guidance throughout the grieving process

GRIEF Journey South Somerset is now celebrating its fourth year providing support and reassurance to anyone that has suffered a bereavement within the local community. This programme provides 6 weeks of structured help and suggestions to face the future.

Working in association with leading grief counsellor Dr Bill Webster, this initiative was implemented by A E Stoodley & Son independent funeral directors of Crewkerne. As Colin Roberts of Stoodleys explains, "Each week is structured to provide help and guidance through the many aspects of the grief process, and our team of trained volunteers can help you to find confidence in adjusting to life after the loss of someone special."

The next support group commences on Wednesday 4th October 10.00am - 12.00 noon at Crewkerne's Henhayes Centre. The programmes are free of charge to attend and are open to anyone in the local area who

has suffered a loss, or who is supporting friends or family members in such a situation.

For more information, or to attend one of our programmes please contact Stoodley & Son Independent Funeral Directors, The Park, George Shopping Centre, Crewkerne, TA18 7LU, Tel. 01460 73229 or email. stoodleyandson@gmail.com.





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CYCLE to Work Day encourages adults across the UK to get on their bike and give cycle commuting a go for one day. Why? – because cycling to work is brilliant! It's an easy way to boost your health and fitness, improve your wellbeing and show some love to the environment.

This year's event takes place on Wednesday 13th September and it's our fifth birthday – so the celebration of cycling will be bigger than ever! Cycle to Work Day started in 2013, and every year this annual event has grown. Today, it's a way of celebrating those who are already passionate cycle commuters, as well as those who are giving it a go for the very first time.

So dust off your favourite bike and get ready to join in the UK's biggest one-day celebration of cycle commuting on Wednesday 13th September 2017.

### STEP 1: PLEDGE



Visit the Cycle to Work Day website and pledge the support of your organisation for the day.

### STEP 2: PROMOTE

Shout about Cycle to Work Day with your colleagues. Send an email, tell everyone in your team meeting or pop up posters in the office.



### STEP 3: PARTY



Have fun and celebrate the cyclists in your office. Host a breakfast for riders, invite a local store to visit the office, or set your own cycling challenge.

### Axcess Electric Bikes

As part of the strategy to reduce the effects of Nitrogen dioxide and diesel particulates, the government is keen to promote cycling to work. There are several Different Cycle to Work Schemes, all of which save the employee money by allowing an employee to purchase an electric bike by "salary sacrifice". This means that the instalment on your bike is deducted from your salary before Tax and National insurance is deducted.

The Green Commute Initiative is an innovative new Cycle to Work scheme ideal for electric bikes as there is no £1,000 Limit and you can pay up to 24 months. It offers up to 42% savings on bikes for employees (depending on your tax status) as part of the Government's Green Transport plan. There is no joining fee for employers and bikes can be arranged one at a time. The bikes can often be financed so there is no impact on the employer's cash flow. It then becomes a "No Cost Employee Benefit".

If your employer is a member of Cycle Scheme, then you usually apply on line and need not nominate a retailer or specific electric bike. Your employer will then be asked to purchase a Certificate of your selected value, usually up to £1000. You redeem the certificate with your chosen Cycle Scheme retailer.

If you commute by bus or walking, an electric bike is an opportunity to adjust your daily routine. Journeys are made much easier due to the uphill assistance provided by the motor meaning that you can enjoy your commute at a relaxed and steady pace. Realistically, you can average 12-13 mph on an electric bike and arrive without breaking out in a sweat. With workplace parking charges becoming a reality, the popularity of the electric bike for commuting can only increase.

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MISTERTON Biennial Flower Festival chose *A Night At The Movies* as its theme this year. Entries were inspired by different films and eras, including early James Bond movies and *La La Land*.

The festival, organised by Misterton Flower Guild, was held over three days.

It concluded with a Songs of Praise event in the church.



■ ABOVE, Sally Gregory and Sue Coquet promoting *Golden Pond* by Libby Baulch; inset left, *Ladies In Lavender* greeted visitors along the path; inset far left, early movies featuring secret agent James Bond

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## Ninety holes of golf in a day? That's 'bonkers'

TWO friends from Numatic International Ltd in Chard decided to give themselves a "bonkers" golf challenge to help raise money for Cancer Research UK and St Margaret's Somerset Hospice.

Rob Dyer and Haydn Gibson, both pictured, decided to play five 18-hole rounds of golf one after another – an epic 14-and-a-half hours of golf.

They set off at Vivary Park Golf Club at Taunton at 5.50am and started their 90-hole challenge which saw them carry their 25kg of kit for 56,000 steps over 27 miles and make nearly 1,000 golf swings.

The pair used up 11,000 calories by the time they had completed the challenge with the sun setting.

Rob said: "It sounded a fun idea but actually it was totally bonkers and pretty gruelling towards the end – well actually from about the halfway point onwards.

"That said, it's given us an enormous amount of satisfaction to have got round the 90 holes in support of great charities that do such wonderful work."

So far Rob and Haydn have raised more than £600 for the nominated charities.

You can donate at [gofundme.com/5-rounds-of-a-golf-in-a-single-day](http://gofundme.com/5-rounds-of-a-golf-in-a-single-day).

Rob and Haydn are extremely grateful to friends, family and work colleagues who have sponsored them, and to Vivary Park Golf Club for hosting their challenge.



# Motorists are urged to steer clear of booze

SOMERSET County Council's road safety team is reminding motorists to steer clear of alcohol when driving or riding.

The plea follows the release of sobering new national drink-drive statistics.

The figures from the Department for Transport show that across the country 1,370 people were estimated to have been killed or seriously injured in drink-drive-related collisions in 2015 – an increase from the previous year.

And although the number of fatalities has decreased slightly, alcohol is still estimated to have been a factor in 200 deaths.

Cllr John Woodman, Somerset County Council's cabinet member for highways and transport, said: "These figures once again show us that drink-driving puts your life and the lives of other road users at risk.

"I urge all motorists to steer clear of alcohol if you are driving or riding.

"Our message is very clear – stay safe and have none for the road."

Remember:

- Alcohol is a confidence booster that can trick you into thinking you're safe to drive when the chances are you probably aren't;
- Everybody processes alcohol at a different rate depending on their size, age or level of fitness so it's not possible to say how much alcohol you can drink and stay below the legal limit to drive;
- A great number of drink-drive collisions happen within three miles of the start of the journey – so the excuse of "I'm only nipping down the road" is not a valid one;
- Take care the morning after a night out



■ POLICE carry out a roadside breathalyser test Picture by SWNS.com

drinking, as you could still be over the legal limit to drive;

● The only thing that will remove alcohol from the blood stream is time – commonly held beliefs that a cup of coffee, a cold shower or a big fried breakfast will sober you up are false.

If you're going out for a drink then plan how you are going to get home safely, pre-book a taxi or designate a driver before you go out.

Never get in a car with someone you know to have been drinking – and never offer an alcoholic drink to someone you know to be driving.

The penalties for being convicted of drink-driving are severe:

- A minimum 12-month driving ban;
- A criminal record;

● A hefty fine;

● Up to six months in prison;

● An endorsement on your licence for 11 years.

However, these legal penalties pale into insignificance when compared to the lasting and tragic consequences that could occur.

The full DfT report can be read at [gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/635345/road-accidents-illegal-alcohol-levels-2015-final.pdf](http://gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/635345/road-accidents-illegal-alcohol-levels-2015-final.pdf).

For more information on the dangers of drink-driving, visit [somerseroadsafety.org](http://somerseroadsafety.org).

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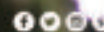


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# 6 WAYS PARENTS CAN HELP THEIR CHILD REACH THE TOP OF THE CLASS

*By Lisa Salmon, Press Association*

## 1. Encourage resilience

Children who do well at school aren't put off by failing- they keep trying until they get better. Your job when a child says they're rubbish or can't do something is to make them believe in themselves and keep going.

**Don't say:** Let me do it for you.

**Do say:** I know it's hard now, but you can do this if you keep trying.

## 2. Encourage planning and monitoring

Knowing how they're doing - that they're on track with their homework, for example - and knowing they need to put more effort into improving certain things, is very important to high performers.

**Don't say:** Just start somewhere and

muddle along.

**Do say:** How are you going to tackle this? Do you know you're on track? How can you tell you're doing it right?

## 3. Encourage open-mindedness

Being open to new ideas is the hallmark of an advanced learner. Start with being open-minded yourself, and model what it's like to be receptive to ideas that differ from your own.

**Don't say:** What a stupid idea.

**Do say:** Isn't that interesting? I never thought of that, but that's such a good approach.

## 4. Encourage practice

It's the only way to get better. Make sure it's regular, deliberate and planned practice, working towards

achievable incremental goals, and your child practices what he/she can't do until they can do it well.

**Don't say:** You've been practising long enough now, do something else.

**Do say:** You're really good at that now, what's the next step up?

## 5. Encourage curiosity

Curiosity is at the heart of all learning and the link with high performance is compelling, so encourage questions and model it yourself. Your job is to answer your children's questions initially and then later encourage them to find out the answers themselves.

**Don't say:** Stop asking so many questions.

**Do say:** I wonder why ...?

## 6. Encourage critical or logical thinking

The characteristic most associated with academic success is the ability to deduct, hypothesise, reason and seek evidence - Sherlock Holmes is your model for this.

**Don't say:** Why are you interested in that? Who cares?

**Do say:** Why do you think that happened? How could you work it out?



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## Year 6 Open Day and Evening on Wednesday 20th September 2017 at 9.00am, 11.30am and 6.30pm

A presentation by Headteacher Steve Green will be followed by tours of the Academy. At 6.30pm there will also be an opportunity to meet subject teachers. There is no need to book in advance and you simply need to arrive at our main reception (off Chard Street). Tours will take approximately 30-45 minutes. Alternatively contact us to arrange a personal tour at a time of your convenience.



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Pre School Morning Sessions, 2 Years to 5 Years Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9.00am-12.15pm

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## HONITON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### Whatever your child's abilities and interests, Honiton Community College has a lot to offer!

THIS year we are celebrating our best ever results at GCSE and A level! At A level our results were in the top 10% of schools in the country and two thirds of the cohort achieved the equivalent of 5+A\*-C inc. English and Maths at GCSE level, with a quarter of all entries being A\*/A. This is a superb achievement for a non-selective, comprehensive school. Indeed, we pride ourselves on our inclusive approach, working together, as a community, to provide a first-class education that helps develop rounded students that are ready to take on the challenges of adulthood.

"the good behaviour and attitudes of pupils contribute to the orderly, purposeful and positive atmosphere in the school. Relationships with pupils are very positive and contribute to pupils' progress because they are keen to learn" (Ofsted 2016)

Students of all abilities are successful at Honiton Community College, and standards have continued to rise in recent years. The vast majority of our students will continue into further education, with many in our

Sixth Form.

"Students, including those in the sixth form, take great pride in their school" (Ofsted 2016) Please join us at our Open Evening on Thursday 28th September from 5 to 7pm. Alternatively,

book a morning tour with a member of the Leadership Team from 25th September to 28th September.



## Honiton Community College

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## CHARD SCHOOL

ONE of the oldest schools in the country, Chard School has been educating children in its historic buildings on the same site since 1671.

Chard is a small independent school for children aged four to eleven with an excellent academic record, situated in Chard, close to the meeting point of Somerset, Devon and Dorset. The extensive curriculum is designed to prepare pupils for independent, state and grammar school entrance as well as scholarship examinations. At Chard, our guiding principle is to find the most effective teaching approach for each and every child and to install a sense of fun and discovery into the learning process.

Our pupils are happy and motivated

learners who truly benefit from the individual tuition our small classes can give them, and who also have the opportunities to become involved in the many artistic, musical and sporting activities that are on offer. As an intentionally small school we are able to cultivate a true 'family feel' where all adults and children know each other well and benefit from the friendly and supportive environment that we encourage.

Our next Open Morning will be on Saturday 7th October, 9.30-11.30am. Visitors will have the opportunity to meet staff and pupils, have a tour of our extensive facilities and take in our wonderful historical buildings on the way! For more information, contact the school office on 01460 63234 or visit [www.chardschool.co.uk](http://www.chardschool.co.uk).



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# 5 BACK TO SCHOOL BUGS AND HOW TO SPOT THE SYMPTOMS

*By Lisa Salmon, Press Association*

## 1. Chickenpox

Chickenpox is a common childhood illness and almost impossible to avoid. It causes a rash of red, itchy spots that turn into fluid-filled blisters after about 12 hours. A few days later, the blisters will crust over to form scabs that fall off after a week or two. The rash normally appears in clusters behind the ears, on the face and scalp, and under arms - on most parts of the body, in fact. The condition tends to be mild and clears up naturally in a week or two. Calamine lotion can ease the itching.

## 2. Colds and flu

For standard symptoms such as coughing, fever, sneezing, sore throats and body

aches, resting is the best medicine, along with drinking plenty of water. If fever persists, children shouldn't go to school and should see a GP.

## 3. Hand foot and mouth disease

This infection causes mouth ulcers and spots on the hands and feet. It's most common in children under 10 but can affect older children and adults. It usually clears up by itself within a week to 10 days. Early symptoms include a fever, loss of appetite, coughing and sore throat. After a day or two, painful mouth ulcers develop and small, red spots may appear on fingers, palms and soles. But Dr Rankin stresses: "The infection isn't related to the foot and mouth disease which affects cattle, sheep and pigs."

## 4. Measles

Measles is a highly infectious viral illness and early symptoms can include a runny nose, red eyes, swollen eyelids, sneezing and fever. A few days later, a red-brown spotty rash appears and lasts for about a week. It starts behind the ears, before spreading around the head and neck, and eventually to the legs and the rest of the body. Anyone can get measles, although it's most common in young children and typically clears by itself in about a week to 10 days if there are no complications. But measles can be a serious illness and up to one in 20 infected children develop pneumonia, while one-two infected children in every thousand die from it. A similar num-

ber are left with deafness or intellectual disability.

## 5. Tonsillitis

Tonsillitis is inflammation of the tonsils, usually caused by a viral infection or, less commonly, a bacterial infection. The condition is most common in children, teenagers and young adults. The main symptom is a sore throat with red swollen tonsils. Others include white pus-filled spots on the tonsils, pain on swallowing, a fever, coughing, headache, tiredness, pain in the ears or neck, and swollen glands in the neck. Bed rest and plenty of fluid will aid a speedy recovery.

## WADHAM SCHOOL

Wadham School serves the communities of Ilminster, Crewkerne and the surrounding villages. Children join us in Year 9 mainly from the Middle Schools in the two towns. We work closely with both schools to ensure as good a transition as possible.

As well as our strong academic performance, we offer a wide range of extracurricular activities. Every year we put on a whole school musical production involving students from all years. In 2017 the school production was 'Guys & Dolls' and in previous years we have performed 'Our House', 'Grease', 'Return to the Forbidden Planet' and 'We Will Rock You'. In 2017, we had a record number of students complete their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award thanks to the support of a large number of staff. The award required the students to complete four sections: skill, volunteering, physical and an expedition. Many of these students will now progress to the Silver Award.

Wadham provides students with opportunities for getting involved in individual

and team sports and has continued to excel in football and futsal with successes in the area and county cups in most age groups in recent years.

At the end of Year 11 many of our students continue into the Sixth Form where there is a comprehensive programme of guidance for the next stage be that employment and training or Higher Education. Students at Wadham who apply to university win a place and the majority of them at their first choice.

In addition to their academic studies they make the most of the range of opportunities to develop their teamwork and leadership skills often taking the key roles in school activities.

Wadham School have an Open Evening on Monday 25 September, 6-8pm which includes a presentation by the head teacher, a student led school tour and the opportunity to meet teaching staff.



## Wadham School

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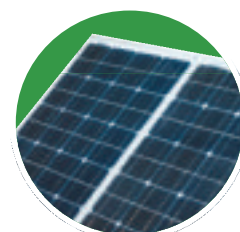
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Gas Safe Register found almost 5 million people across the UK are putting themselves at risk by employing illegal gas fitters who aren't properly qualified. 65% of all gas jobs carried out by illegal fitters were unsafe, with 1 in 5 so dangerous they had to be disconnected immediately. (2017 research)

This year we cast a light on the more vulnerable people in our society. New research revealed nearly 8 million older people could be at risk from unsafe gas appliances in the UK. More than 260 over-65s are injured by gas appliances every year, with gas red heaters accounting for the majority of deaths. Worryingly, we found that older people are half as likely as other age groups to have gas work carried out by a professional Gas Safe registered engineer.

With three in four people having never discussed gas safety with older family members, we were encouraging the public to take the opportunity to do so.

**Is Your gas engineer qualified to work on your gas appliances?**

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To find a gas engineer in your area you can use our find a Gas Safe registered business service online or call 0800 408 5500.

**How do I know my gas engineer is qualified to do the work?**

Gas engineers will often have a range of qualifications that allow them to carry out specific types of gas work. It's important to check what work they are qualified to do before you use them. You can find this

information using our check an engineer service and by looking on the back of their Gas Safe Register ID card.

Every gas engineer carries a Gas Safe Register ID card with their own unique licence number, showing the type of gas work they are qualified to do. Before any gas work is carried out, always make sure you ask to see their Gas Safe Register ID card.

**Why do I need to make sure my gas engineer is on the Gas Safe Register?**

It's all about safety. If someone other than a Gas Safe registered engineer does the gas work in your home, you could be risking the safety of your family and your property. Badly fitted and poorly serviced gas appliances can cause gas leaks, fires, explosions and carbon monoxide poisoning.

**Top tips to stay Gas Safe**

**WE RELY on our gas boilers, cookers and fires to keep warm, have hot baths and showers and cook hot meals. It's important that gas appliances are safety checked every year and regularly serviced to help keep us safe and prevent them from breaking down when we need them the most.**

**Stay Gas Safe in your home with these top tips:**

1. Always use a Gas Safe registered engineer to fit, fix and service gas appliances in your home - it's the law and will help keep you safe.
2. Always ask to see an engineer's Gas Safe Register ID card and check the back of the card to ensure they are qualified to carry out the specific type of gas work you need.
3. Have all your gas appliances, including boilers, gas cookers and gas fires, safety checked every year.

4. Find a Gas Safe registered engineer in your area or call the free helpline on 0800 408 5500

5. Unsafe gas appliances can put you at risk of carbon monoxide poisoning, gas leaks, fires and explosions. Recognise the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning - headaches, dizziness, nausea, breathlessness, collapse and loss of consciousness.

6. Check gas appliances for warning signs that they are not working properly e.g. lazy yellow flames instead of crisp blue ones, black marks or stains on or around the appliance and too much condensation in the room.

7. Buy an audible carbon monoxide alarm for your home and make sure it is located near to your gas appliances in accordance with the manufacturer's guidance. Carbon

monoxide can leak from appliances and kill.

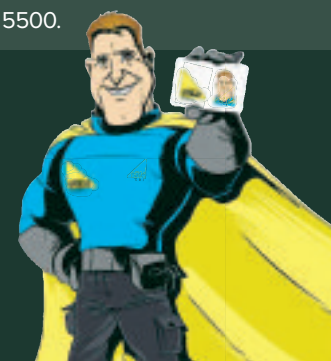
8. Only use gas appliances for their intended purpose e.g. don't use a gas oven to heat a room or use a gas barbecue inside the house.

9. Always ensure there is enough ventilation for your gas appliances to allow them to burn correctly and make sure you are not blocking any air vents that provide an air supply to the gas appliance.

10. Anybody working with gas has to be Gas Safe registered by law. Report someone working without registration or call Gas Safe Register on the free phone number 0800 408 5500.



**Cartoon hero Doug is the mascot for the week. Doug has become a recognised character associated with the campaign and was used by many supporters to help communicate gas safety messages to the public.**





# Carbon Monoxide Poisoning - What are the Symptoms?

## What is CO poisoning?

UNSAFE gas appliances can produce a highly poisonous gas called carbon monoxide (CO). It can cause death as well as serious long term health problems such as brain damage.

CO is produced by the incomplete burning of natural gas or liquefied petroleum gas (LPG). This happens when a gas appliance has been incorrectly fitted, badly repaired or poorly maintained. It can also occur if flues, chimneys or vents are blocked.

Oil and solid fuels such as coal, wood, petrol and oil can also produce carbon monoxide.

CO poisoning occurs when you breathe in the gas and it replaces oxygen in your bloodstream. Without oxygen, your body tissue and cells die. Even small amounts of the gas can cause CO poisoning, and long term effects can include paralysis and brain damage.

## Remember the six main symptoms to look out for:

- Headaches
- Dizziness
- Nausea
- Breathlessness
- Collapse
- Loss of consciousness

## Being aware of the symptoms could save your life

CO symptoms are similar to those of flu, food poisoning, viral infections and fatigue. That's why it's quite common for people to mistake this very dangerous poisoning for something else.

## What to do if you suspect CO poisoning

Get fresh air immediately. Open doors and windows, turn off gas appliances and leave the house.

See your doctor immediately or go to hospital - let them know that you suspect CO poisoning. They can do a blood or breath test to check.

If you think there is an immediate danger, call the Gas Emergency Helpline on 0800 111 999.

Ask a Gas Safe registered engineer to inspect your gas appliances and flues to see if there is a dangerous problem.

## The warning signs of a CO leak

Any of the following could be a sign of CO in your home:

- Flames of a lazy yellow or orange colour on your gas hob, rather than being a crisp blue
- Dark staining on/around appliances
- Pilot lights that frequently blow out
- Increased condensation inside windows.

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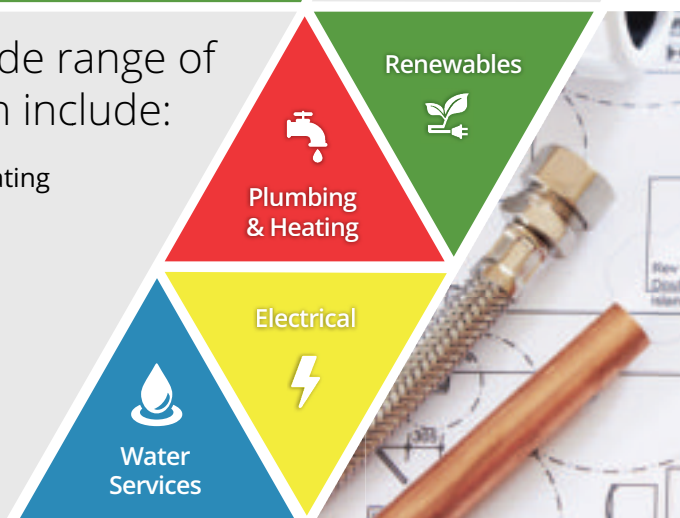
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# VIEW 2

## Jazz with a smile

TWO OF Britain's brightest young jazz stars are making a return visit to Ilminster Arts Centre on Friday 29 September. The Amy Roberts/ Richard Exall Quintet, which last played IAC in 2015, features two of the most exciting and versatile musicians on the jazz scene. Amy and Richard are both multi-instrumentalists who perform an eclectic range of high-octane music on a range of clarinets, saxophones and flute; their Quintet was voted "Band of the Year" in 2014 by Rochdale Jazz Society.

Drawing inspiration from their all-time heroes of reed players, Amy and Richard craft gorgeous arrangements that pay homage to Johnny Hodges, Lester Young, Earl Bostic, Benny Goodman, Eddie "Lockjaw" Davis, Cannonball Adderley, Charlie Parker and many more. Together, Richard Exall and Amy Roberts make music that crosses the traditional divides of the jazz world,

performing melodic and intricate arrangements that appeal to listeners of all styles of music. Amy says their approach 'is about lively, energetic jazz that makes people smile.'

Amy and Richard's most recent album, "Hodge-Stic" came out in 2016 and has been highly praised by Just Jazz magazine, whose critic described it as "A really enjoyable CD. Everything swings; great arrangements, wonderful technique throughout by all, some nice 'quirky' bits, but most agreeable for me, a feeling of warmth, charm and humour coming through...Highly recommended!"

The Amy Roberts / Richard Exall Quintet play at Ilminster Arts Centre on Friday, September 29th at 8pm. Tickets are £16 (pre-show supper £14 at 7pm, but must be booked in advance). For more details call 01460 55783 or visit the website at [www.themeetinghouse.org.uk](http://www.themeetinghouse.org.uk)



■ Richard Exall and Amy Roberts

## Miranda Sykes tour comes to Devon

MIRANDA Sykes, the acclaimed singer and bassist with 'Show of Hands' is returning to her roots.

After a career spanning over 20 years, during which time she has played with many of the top musicians and singers within the folk world, she will be touring as she started out: One woman, one bass, and one guitar.

*Borrowed Places* is her debut solo album and draws its inspiration primarily from the songs and landscape of her native Lincolnshire but seen through the eyes of someone who has lived away for many years. The themes are not specific; the land changes, it grows, it shrinks, it adapts and it resists but most of all it lives and breathes.

With her sensational voice, and accompanying herself, Miranda interprets the soul of the land and takes her audience on a journey that resonates with us all, wherever we live and it is one you won't want to miss.



■ Miranda Sykes

Her new album *Borrowed Places* is out now and she will be on tour to support the release.

Miranda Sykes plays at Poltimore House, Exeter on Saturday, September 16th.

## Male vocal harmony group The Rivertones to perform at Seaton Tramway



SEATON TRAMWAY will be hosting a very special evening of live music from all-male acapella group The Rivertones: Taunton Barbershop Harmony Club on Saturday, September 23rd.

This perfectly tuned chorus sing from the heart and audiences will be entertained by a variety of songs, many of which you will know and will find yourself singing along to!

The tram departs Seaton at 7pm and returns from Colyton Station at 10pm, with a delicious two course meal to be served at 8pm. Guests can either purchase tickets for a tram ride, entertainment and food, or simply opt in to join us for din-

ner and entertainment at Colyton Station.

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# Diary Dates

## TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH

**YEovil:** YouCanSing informal music session. At Lockwood Court, Stibby Road 2-4 pm. £3. For people with and without disabilities. Info: 01935 472771 or thedancingmaster@outlook.com

**COLYFORD:** Bingo - Cash Prizes. In aid of Seaton Friends Hospicare@Home. Doors open 7pm - Eyes Down 7.45pm. Colyford Memorial Hall. Ample free parking.

**BROADWAY:** Ile Valley Flower Club at Broadway Village Hall, close to the Taunton Road. Demo by Irene Hickson from Bournemouth, entitle 'Music of the Night'. Visitors welcome for £5. Starting at 7.30pm.

**UPLYME:** Uplyme and Lyme Regis Horticultural Society outing. The coach leaves Uplyme Village Hall at 9am, to go first to the Bristol Botanic Garden, with guided tours of their profusion of plants. After that, we move on to Jekka McVicar's Herbetum, to see her variety of culinary and other herbs. Teas, seeds and plants are available to buy. To book, ring Jenny Harding on 01297 444034 - the trip costs £25, £3 extra for non-members.

**CREWKERNE:** Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

**CREWKERNE:** Henhayes Knitters. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

**CREWKERNE:** Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

**AXMINSTER:** Time for Tea & a Talk: Enjoy tea and cakes while you listen to Lord of the Manor, Jim Rowe, talk about Axminster's past. 2.00 - 3.30pm Tickets £3 The Bradshaw Meeting Room, Axminster Heritage Centre, Silver Street, EX13 5AH

**ALL SAINTS:** All Saints and District W.I. meeting at 2.30pm. Have an open meeting, all visitors will be warmly welcomed, and our speaker will be Bonny Sartin on the Yetties. Please come and join us. For further information please all Bev Walsh - 01297 32899

**CHARD:** Chard WI meeting at Chard Baptist Church Rooms, Holyrood Street TA20 2AH. Speaker from Somerset Waste Partnership, starts 7.30. New members welcome. Call Johanna on 01460 68133 for more information. Meetings first Tuesday of every month.

**SEATON:** FREEdom Cafe - FREE Community Cafe 10.30am-1.30pm. Hosted by St Gregory's church at the Church Centre Seaton EX12 2DF. Coffee, cakes and light lunches all FREE. Rummage stall and good quality second hand books. We welcome everyone, living, working or just visiting.

## WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH

**SEATON:** Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway. Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details.

**SOUTH PETHERTON:** Sausage Making Course with Clinton Bonner from award winning Butchers Bonners of Ilminster. Learn how to make and flavour your own sausages. Includes lots of tasters and a glass of wine and a hot dog at the end of the session. 7.30 - 9pm. Frogmary Green Farm. 01460 249758 www.frogmarygreenfarm.co.uk

**COLYFORD:** Axe Valley Centre, National Trust. Talk on The Gardens of New Zealand by Mike and Edna Squires. Colyford Memorial Hall 2.30pm. Non-members welcome £2 including refreshments.

**CREWKERNE:** Bingo at the Henhayes Centre - "eyes down" at 2pm. £5.30 (£4.80 for members) for 6 books of 12 games, cash prizes. Bar open, refreshments available, raffle.

## WEDS SEPT 13TH - SAT SEPT 16TH

**CREWKERNE:** CUDOS presents "Dirty rotten Scoundrels" at Victoria Hall Crewkerne, 13th - 16th September 2017 at 7.30 pm. Tickets available on www.cudoscrewkerne.com or 01460 74380 and cost £10 or £8.50 concessions.

## THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH

**AXMINSTER:** Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert. Chloe Stratta (soprano) and Robert Corlidge (piano). At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

**COLYTON:** Historical Walking Tours of Colyton. Every Thursday until September 28th at 2pm. Meet at the Dolphin Street Car park. Booking not necessary. £3 for adults, under 16s Free. To arrange a walk for a larger group please phone 01297 552514

# Southern Tenant Folk Union to play South Petherton gig

SEPTEMBER 2016 saw the release of the seventh Southern Tenant Folk Union album *Join Forces*. It was written following the May 2015 general election result, and then recorded in June and July the next year amidst the quickly changing political landscape, something that made the suite of songs seem timelier still. And as we know. With the even greater hindsight in July 2017, politics has shifted again and the band's single from the album, *What Would You Give For A Leader With Soul?*, now seems almost prophetic as the STFU do the final few dates in support of the record.

Musically the album harked back to the more roots and bluegrass sounding earlier albums and is divided into two main strands. Firstly there are some tracks which have a much poppier and melodic approach than in the past. Songs such as the dynamic opener *To The War*, the frantic *Arthur Lee & Love* influenced *The Media Attack*, *Rory Butler's Carefully Does It* and the title track *Join Forces*. Then, secondly, several songs deliberately take in more old-time bluegrass chord sequences and sounds. Tracks like *'Ash'*, a metaphor for political progress meeting the sci-fi eco



Southern Tenant Folk Union

movie *Silent Running*, and the uptempo bluegrass lament that is *'Our Revolution It Will One Day Come'* which concerns the slow nature of change. Plain Stanley Brothers style A cappella harmony vocals start off *'My Grandfather's Father'*, before mixing in folk fiddle & percussion breakdowns and then there's the anti-thematic *'What Would You Give For A Leader With Soul?'*, which was released as a single during the Labour Leadership election in early Sept 2016.

Whilst it did look back to an earlier Americana and old-time sound the whole thing is still subtly different to anything the band has recorded before. Containing three 'question songs' in the Pete Seeger/Phil Ochs style, the first of these is the single *What Would You Give For A Leader With Soul?* about the hope of better leadership, that growing pent up desire for higher standards in politics and political leaders, the same desire that saw the grass roots popularity of Jeremy Corbyn here in the UK and Bernie Sanders in the USA. Secondly comes the professional politician on the campaign trail and their sincerity with *Were You Faking When You Kissed Her?* The third 'question' track is the country rock era Byrds-flavoured *What Kind Of Worker Do You Want To Be?* and looked to mix the politics of unionising and solidarity with campfire song folk.

Lead singer and guitarist Rory Butler pens two tracks for the record, firstly the opening cut *To The War* reflecting on the frustration of us all being complicit in war abroad and in despair at the 'war' on those least fortunate in our society. The second track, *Carefully Does It*, brings a 70s pop almost Jimmy Webb styled sensibility to the album powerfully utilising the big band acoustic sound of Southern Tenant Folk Union.

A strong flavour of Scottish folk also runs across the whole record with the exciting and daring fiddle playing of Katherine Stewart intertwined throughout. Plus Katherine and percussionist Steve Fivey specially wrote the *Islay Crossing Set* which features three original tunes - of sometimes fiendish complexity, dynamic rhythmic impact and stark beauty - that demonstrate the link between folk and bluegrass and their relation and common currency over time.

Southern Tenant Folk Union play live at South Petherton's David Hall on Saturday, September 30th. For more details call 01460 240340 or visit www.the-davidhall.org.uk

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# Diary Dates

**CREWKERNE:** English Folk Dance. St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street, 8-10pm Every Thursday. £3.50. First visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 01460 75760.

**CHARD:** Chard Royal Naval Association meeting for their bi-monthly official meeting at 7.30pm in the Chard Rugby football club, Essex Close. Anyone with an interest in the association would be most welcome to attend on the night (you do not have to be ex services in order to be a member). The group have an active membership and are often found attending outside events, talks and demonstrations. Further details of the association can be obtained from the secretary Mr Gary Pennells on 01460 77978.

**SEAVINGTON:** Seavington Gardening Club - 7.30pm Roy Halsey will be talking on 'Roses for the Garden and Show' plants will be for sale. The meeting will be held in Seavington Millennium Hall. Visitors are welcome, £2 at the door. Enquiries to Karen Day 01460 929605.

**SEATON:** Seaton Garden Club outing to Dyrham Park (National Trust) near Bath. Visitors welcome. For more details call 01297 21869.

**CREWKERNE:** Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre. 10-11am. £3.50 (members £2.50)

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members, £3 for non-members.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

**OFFWELL:** Honiton Flower Club is hosting a flower arranging demonstration entitled 'I'm In The Mood For' by Julia Harrison, Area Demonstrator. At Offwell Village Hall. Doors open at 1.30 pm for a 2.15 start. Refreshments available, raffle for arrangements and all welcome for a £5 admission fee.

**AXMINSTER:** Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

## FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 15TH

**CREWKERNE:** Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits, raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 862866.

**SEATON:** Bingo in the Town Hall every Friday at 2pm. Cash prizes. Refreshments. Raffle. Good company. Any queries please ring 01297 20611

**CREWKERNE:** Special lunch at Henhayes Centre, roast gammon. See the Henhayes advert.

**SOUTH PETHERTON:** Autumn Bingo in aid of St Margaret's Hospice at Frogmary Green Farm. Doors open 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Lots of great prizes, refreshments available. For more details call 07538 377205.

**AXMINSTER:** Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

**AXMINSTER:** Whist Drive at Axminster Heritage Centre, Bradshaw Room Silver Street, EX13 5AH. 7.30pm. Tea, coffee and biscuits available. Good prizes.

## SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16TH

**SIDMOUTH:** Dancing with the Dancing Duo Henry & Jeannie. Theme 'Parrots of the Caribbean', at Stowford Centre (A3052). 8-11pm. Free parking. Bring your own snacks. Tea/coffee and biscuits provided. Pay on the door £6.

**BROADHEMBURY:** Live music from Howdenjones at the Memorial Hall, in aid of the hall. 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets £12 including supper available from Broadhembury Post Office or Mrs Jean Walters 01404 841403. Bar available, raffle.

**HINTON ST GEORGE:** Flix in the Stix presents 'The Viceroy's House' (12a). In the Hinton Village Hall. 7pm. Tickets £5 in advance from the Village Shop and Dorothy's Tea Room, or £5.50p on the door. To reserve Tickets please contact Bob Kefford on 01460 75263.

**CREWKERNE:** Craft & Table Top Sale at Henhayes Centre. Tables £5 set up 8.30am. Free Admission to public from 9.30am. Refreshments available.

**PUCKINGTON:** Joans Harvest Coffee Morning at Puckington Church. 10.30-12. Come and enjoy Coffee/Tea. Cakes Bring/buy stall and Raffle. Gifts of tins and packets of food gratefully accepted for Harvest Table, then donated to The Lords Larder. on Sunday 17 Harvest Festival service @ 7pm

**AXMINSTER:** Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

**BRANSCOMBE:** Branscombe Harvest Fair at Brancoc Hall & Field. 12-4pm. Dog show, raffle, tug of war, stalls, village show, arena events, bar, refreshments, fun & games, crafts. Adults £1.50 (includes a lucky programme), children free.

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Deadline is Friday 4pm for the following Tuesday's publication. Please ensure dates are included for all listings - weekly listings without dates may not be published.



# Vintage Classic Day Out at World of Country Life

*Over 100 vehicles on show on Sunday, September 17th*

IT'S BACK by popular demand – now the 13th year that World of Country Life in Exmouth has hosted the West Country Classic Vehicle Club's amazing event!

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# They are The Mods!

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The band have toured all over the UK and Europe playing theatres, clubs and festivals. They have been commissioned by the rich and famous for numerous exclusive private parties, and have played residencies at the exclusive 'Le Moods club' in Monaco. They have headlined The Harley Davidson Euro Festival and other Harley events including Austria, St Tropez and Silverstone.

Expect classics from the 60s and early seventies that encapsulate the true essence of Mod music and its evolution through the late 60s summer of love into the heavier 70s.

The Mods play live at The Gateway, Seaton on Saturday, September 30th. Doors open 7.30pm, tickets are £13 in advance, available from the box office on 01297 625699.

## Quiz Night

THE Gateway's quiz nights are always so popular. Get your team together, a maximum of six per team, get your thinking caps on and get yourself down for a night of brain teasing fun. Prizes for the winning team. The next quiz night takes place on Friday, September 22nd. Licensed Bar and snacks. Doors open 7pm with tickets at £5 per person.

Tickets available from The Gateway Box Office 01297 625699 open Mon-Fri 10am to 4pm and Sat 10am to 1pm.

## Sparkling performance on the Beer Wurlitzer

"ONE of the best shows ever" was the verdict of the audience when musician Paul Roberts visited Beer for the first time on Saturday, September 9th and gave a superb performance on the unique Beer Wurlitzer. His programme appealed to everyone and his clever arrangements included many favourite tunes from the twenties and thirties and music that reflected his travels in the Scottish Isles, India, South America and beyond.

Paul has been a prominent name in the keyboard world for over 30 years. His concert tours have taken him to Europe, South Africa, New Zealand, the USA and Canada. On one of his many visits to the USA, he gave a solo concert in New York's Radio City Hall, the largest indoor theatre in the world. He said that he had recently played on organs with 500 ranks of pipes (stops or tone colour played across the whole keyboard) in the USA, in total contrast to the 6 ranks of pipes of the Beer Wurlitzer which he described as "a sweet baby organ". Paul complimented the team for their work in restoring the organ and said they should be very proud. He also paid tribute to the President, Trevor Bolshaw, who had been an inspiration to him in his youth when he first attended organ concerts.

The next show will be on Saturday, October 14th, when all-time favourite organist Len Rawle will be playing music for all. The shows are held at the Congregational Church, Fore Street, Beer, EX12 3JQ, starting at 2.00pm ending approx. 4.30pm. Admission is £7.00 on the door, children free, and includes interval refreshments. For further information phone 01297 24892 or visit [www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk](http://www.beerwurlitzer.org.uk).

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## The Mods

Saturday 30th September  
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Tickets £13 in advance.

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# Diary Dates

## SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16TH

**SOUTH PERROTT:** Jumble sale in South Perrott (on A356) Village Hall from 2:30 pm. Entrance 50p per person. Contact 01953 891224 or 891234.

**PUCKINGTON:** Joans Harvest Coffee Morning. 10.30-12 at Puckington Church. Come and enjoy coffee/tea, cakes, bring and buy, and raffle. Gifts of tins packets of food gratefully accepted for Harvest Table, then donated to The Lords Larder, on Sunday 17 Harvest Festival at 7pm

## SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17TH

**BARRINGTON:** Historical dance class at Barrington Village Hall, 1.30-4 pm (plus music practice 12.30-1.30). No partner needed, nor previous experience. £5. 01935 472771 or thedancingmaster@outlook.com.

**LYME REGIS:** Macmillan Coffee Morning at the Cobb Centre Building from 10am.

**AXMINSTER:** Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

**DUNKESWELL:** St. Nicholas's Church Dunkeswell will remember those brave men at their Battle of Britain church service at 11am. All welcome.

**SEATON:** Fishermans Gap. 10 am Beach Clean for Marine Conservation Soc. Bring pencil/gloves. Tel: Ian Waite 01297 20326

## MONDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH

**MISTERTON:** Bingo at the village hall. Doors 6.30pm, eyes down 7.30pm.

**CREWKERNE:** Crewkerne Awareness September Meeting. Guest Speaker: Jo Pearce on 'Psychic Surgery'. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm - 9.30pm. Admission £2.50 (Includes Light Refreshments). Everyone Welcome. Further details telephone Anastasia 01460 351019

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 9.40 to 10.40am and 10.45 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members/ £3 for non-members. Transport available for second session, ring Centre to book.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 7 - 9.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

**AXMINSTER:** Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

**SMEATHARPE:** Good prizes and raffle. In aid of hall roof funds. More information from Dorothy on 01823 601 296

## TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 19TH

**AXMINSTER:** Cooking for One Demo with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking for one and covering nutritional advice for type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At the United Reformed Church, Chard Road. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Call Hannah on 01297 631782 for more information or email hannah@halff.org.uk. 11am-12.30pm.

**COLYFORD:** Bingo - Cash Prizes. In aid of Seaton Friends Hospiscare@Home. Doors open 7pm - Eyes Down 7.45pm. Colyford Memorial Hall. Ample free parking.

**CREWKERNE:** Computer Drop-in at Henhayes Centre - Questions answered and help provided. 10am to 12 noon, £2/£3.

**CREWKERNE:** Henhayes Knitters. Come and enjoy a knit and natter afternoon and make items for yourself or for sale at the Centre. 2 - 4pm.

**CREWKERNE:** Tuesday Welcome Group at Henhayes Centre. £2.50 incl coffee per session. For people 50+ who like to meet other people and enjoy a few activities like painting, pottery, music, quizzes and occasional bingo. Transport can be arranged (£3.00) and members usually stay for a cooked lunch priced at £6.50 including tea or coffee. Please call 01460 74340 for further details.

**SEATON:** Body Moves with Age UK Devon. Exercises for the over 50s at the Methodist Church, 11.45-12.45. All welcome, just come along or call 0333 241 2340 or email info@ageukdevon.co.uk

## WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH

**HONITON:** Honiton U3A meeting when they welcome their speaker and fellow U3A member Dr. Peter Williams whose talk is entitled - 'Other Worlds'. Following a revolution in recent years of the discovery of thousands of exoplanets, Peter will be discussing their implications and the possibilities of other worlds existing beyond our own solar system. At the Beehive Centre, Dowell Street. Doors open 1.30pm for 2pm start. Members free and visitors welcome. Suggested donation of £2. For more details call 01404 598008.

**SEATON:** Yoga with a chair 1.30 to 2.30 at the Gateway. Fore St. Yoga for EVERYbody £5. All welcome. Contact Yvonne 01297 20326 or email waite@relaxatseaton.co.uk for more details

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- Maggy Duffy, 'Songs and Music', on Dec 19th;
- Rev. Robin Laird, 'Life as an Army Padre', on Jan 16th 2018;
- Tony Davies, 'Ladies in the Sky', on Feb 20th;
- Angus Stevenson-Hamilton, 'Policing in Hong Kong', on March 20th 2018.

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## THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 21st

**AXMINSTER:** Music at the Minster: Lunchtime concert. Woodbury Wind (wind octet). At the Minster, 12.30pm. Lunch at 1.05pm. For more details call 01297 32927. Donations towards the upkeep of the church.

**COLYTON:** Historical Walking Tours of Colyton. Every Thursday until September 28th at 2pm. Meet at the Dolphin Street Car park. Booking not necessary. £3 for adults, under 16s Free. To arrange a walk for a larger group please phone 01297 552514

**CREWKERNE:** English Folk Dance. St Bartholomew's Church Hall, Abbey Street, 8-10pm Every Thursday. £3.50. First visit free. For more details call 01460 77320 or 01460 75760.

**CHARD:** Chard Camera Club meeting in the Baptist Church Hall at 7.30pm for an illustrated talk by Mr Duncan Armour entitled 'North to Scotland, Spitzbergen and Alaska'. A renowned photographer and judge Duncan will be delivering a long awaited talk to the members.

**CLAPTON:** Community Coffee Morning, hosted by Clapton & Wayford Village Hall from 10am - mid-day. There will be bacon rolls, a cake stall & a raffle; all contributions welcomed. Do come and join us, to support your local facility, whilst meeting friends & neighbours or getting to know new people; all welcome. More details from Julia (01460 72769)

**AXMINSTER:** Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

**CREWKERNE:** Over 50s Keep Fit at Henhayes Centre. 10-11am. £3.50 (members £2.50)

**CREWKERNE:** Physio Fit at Henhayes Centre - 10.30 am to 11.45 am. £2 for members, £3 for non-members.

**CREWKERNE:** Short Mat Bowls at Henhayes Centre. 2 - 4.30pm. New members welcome, come and give it a try.

## FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 22nd

**CREWKERNE:** Sequence Dancing at the Victoria Hall, 1.45-4pm. Tea and biscuits, raffle. £2 per person. For more details call 01935 415520 or 862866.

**SEATON:** Free Cooking Demonstrations For Heart & Diabetes with HALFF (Health and Local Food for Families). 11am-1pm. Free healthy cooking demonstrations giving hints and ideas for cooking and covering nutritional advice for people with, or at risk of, type 2 diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure. At The Marshlands Centre, Harbour Road, Seaton, EX12 2LT. No need to book, just turn up, it's free. Chat, learn, eat. Call Nikki on 01297 631782, email nikki@halff.org.uk or go to www.halff.org.uk for more information.

**TATWORTH:** Film: 'Their Finest' (cert 12a). At Tatworth Memorial Hall, doors 7.15pm, film 8pm. Organised by T&F Movies. Call 01460 220198 for more details.

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**AXMINSTER:** Open Day at 2 Old Park Cottages, Woodbury Lane, Axminster EX13 5TL. Exhibition of work by J Crofton, J Fox, and Sö.

**ILMINSTER:** Somerset Wildlife Trust Ilminster/Chard group start their programme of Autumn/Winter indoor events with an illustrated talk entitled 'The world of UK Bees: solitary & social'. Daisy Headley, Conservation officer SW for Bumblebee Conservation Trust will give insight into the needs of UK bees, their natural histories, how to recognise them and how to encourage them into your garden. 7.30pm at Parish Hall, North Street, Ilminster TA19 0DG. Roadside and local car parks. £2 adult members, £3 non-members, no charge for children. Sales table and tea/coffee. Enquiries 01460 234551.



# Carneval String Trio to play Somerset concerts

CONCERTS in the West's forthcoming October series, for concerts in Devon, Dorset and Somerset, will feature three stylish and highly accomplished string musicians, violinist Kamila Bydlowska, Shiry Rashkovsky, viola and Timothée Botbol, cello, who will perform together - as Carneval String Trio - an unusually diverse selection of music.

When musicians of this calibre combine their talents - Bydlowska, Rashkovsky and Botbol are all renowned soloists and orchestral/chamber performers - audiences can expect some pretty remarkable music making. A good trio will keep perfect time, blending together seamlessly in perfect unity while making subtle adjustments spontaneously as they interpret and shape the pieces they play.

Polish violinist Kamila Bydlowska graduated from the Royal College of Music with an Artist Diploma in Performance, having previously studied at Indiana University Jacobs School of Music in Bloomington, USA with Mauricio Fuks and Kevork Mardirossian, where she was awarded a full scholarship.

Shiry Rashkovsky, who was recently lauded by The Strad for her 'beguiling... thrilling and exuberant' Royal Festival Hall debut, pursues an international solo, chamber, teaching and orchestral career. A versatile musician, her performances have taken her across the globe to such venues as the Tel Aviv Opera House and Geneva Victoria Hall, including engagements for HRH Prince Charles and the Emperor and Empress of Japan.

Swiss cellist Timothée Botbol began his musical education in Geneva at the

prestigious Jaques Dalcroze Institute and later progressed to the Geneva Conservatoire and the Haute École de Musique de Lausanne where he received his Master of Performance with distinction. Timothée is currently studying on the Artist Diploma course at the Royal College of Music, London with Alexander Chaushian.

The Carneval String Trio perform at Ilminster Arts Centre at the Meeting House on Friday, October 6th at 8pm. Tickets are £15. For more details call 01460 55783

The Trio play at The Dance House, North Street, Crewkerne on Saturday, October 7th at 7.30pm. Tickets are £15. Concessions for students and children. For advance bookings please email concertsintthewest@gmail.com. or you can text 07776 995789 or book at Eventbrite [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk) or you can buy on the night from 6.45pm, but it is worth checking ticket availability beforehand. Tickets can also be purchased at the Local Information Centre in the Town Hall. Interval drinks. Town parking and car parks. Doors open at 6.45pm



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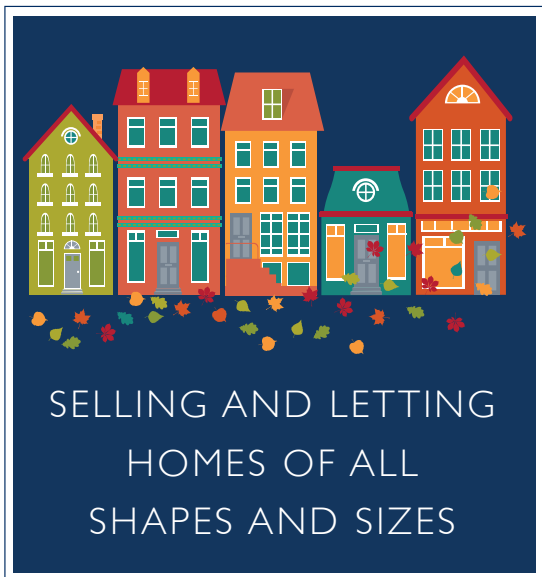
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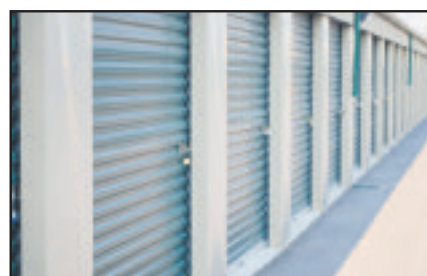
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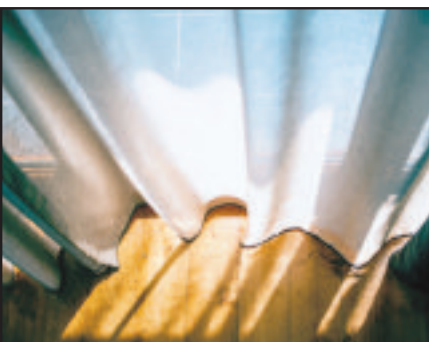
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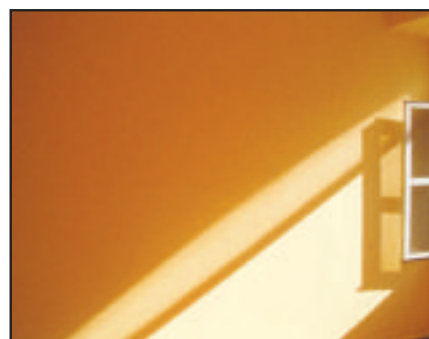
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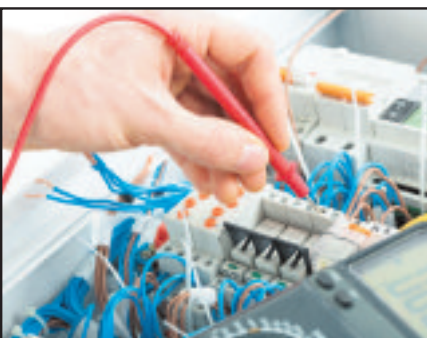
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## Sleeker, faster and more technologically-advanced: Ford reveals new Ford Mustang for Europe

FORD today revealed the new Ford Mustang for Europe – delivering sleek new styling, sophisticated engine and suspension upgrades, advanced driver assistance technologies and more customisation options for the iconic sports car.

The instantly-recognisable, powerful Ford Mustang profile now delivers a sleeker, more athletic appearance, enhanced with LED lighting technology, and a choice of 11 bold exterior colours and new alloy wheel options. The new Mustang is anticipated to be the fastest accelerating ever, with an enhanced 5.0-litre V8 engine that offers an anticipated 450 PS, combining with Ford's new 10-speed automatic transmission.

Tuned to match European driving expectations, Mustang's fun-to-drive character is optimised with sophisticated new MagneRide adjustable suspension and selectable Drive Modes, including a new customisable My Mode option. A new Active Valve Performance Exhaust even delivers an innovative Good Neighbour Mode for early-morning or late-night driving.

Mustang driver assistance technolo-

gies including Pre-Collision Assist with Pedestrian Detection and Lane Keeping Aid enhance the driving experience with greater peace-of-mind. A contemporary, upscale interior features soft-touch materials and a 12-inch all-digital instrument cluster for a superior occupant experience.

"Europe's passion for Mustang has proven even greater than we imagined – almost 30,000 Mustangs are already bringing one of the most iconic sights in motoring to the continent's streets," said Steven Armstrong, group vice president and president, Europe Middle East and Africa, Ford Motor Company. "There are few cars on the road that can deliver such a combination of heritage, style and performance to such a wide audience. The new Ford Mustang offers the most compelling package yet."

### Unmistakably Mustang

The exterior of the new Ford Mustang delivers a sleeker, more athletic appearance while retaining the instantly-recognisable character honed through more than 50 years of production. The bonnet profile is now lower with integrated air vents,

combined with a revised lower grille design to give the Mustang a sharper, more aggressive face, while improving aerodynamics.

The Mustang's dramatic rear-end design is further enhanced with a re-modelled bumper and diffuser element, accommodating standard quad-tailpipes for the 5.0-litre V8 model that testify to the power and performance available. In addition, Mustang is now offered with a new optional boot spoiler for an even sportier profile.

Crisp, clear and energy-efficient, Mustang's headlights, daytime running lights, indicators and iconic three-dimensional tri-bar tail lights now all feature LED technology as standard for Mustang models in Europe, with LED foglights also available. The front headlight bezels also have been restyled to reflect the trapezoidal shape of the upper grille.

A wider range of customisation options will enable Mustang customers in Europe to make even more of a statement. Three bold, dynamic new metallic paint colours are available – Kona Blue, Orange Fury and Royal Crimson. New 19-inch forged alloy

wheels are offered in multiple finishes each with a unique character, including Nickel, Ebony Black and Polished Aluminium.

The new Mustang interior delivers a more premium feel. Soft touch materials now feature for the door linings and the door handles are finished in aluminium. The centre console features a new hand-stitched, soft-touch wrap, finished with stitching in a contrast colour

for a more dynamic and upscale feel.

Leather-trimmed, heated and cooled seats, and a heated steering wheel are also offered across the line-up for the first time for ultimate comfort. Right-hand drive customers can now also opt for the leather Recaro racing seat option in Ebony Black leather.

Deliveries of the new Ford Mustang for customers in Europe will begin in 2018.



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## Government's 'secret' online tool could save used car buyers £1,000s

ALMOST half of all car buyers are completely unaware of a completely free of charge service that could save them hundreds of pounds in repairs when they buy a used car.

Researchers from car buying website [www.carbuyer.co.uk](http://www.carbuyer.co.uk) learned that 47% of drivers were unaware of the government's free-to-use MoT history checking service ([www.check-mot.service.gov.uk/](http://www.check-mot.service.gov.uk/)), which indicates how a car has been maintained and can help identify possibly serious faults on a potential used car purchase.

The free tool allows buyers to follow a used car's MoT history to validate mileages, identify potential minor faults, spot a lemon or even haggle the price down.

Researchers also discovered over a quarter of motorists have no idea when the MoT on their car expires.

Carbuyer editor Stuart Milne said: "We carried out a survey of motorists aged 18 to 80 and were astonished to learn that 27% of them haven't got a clue when their current MoT runs out – indeed, some of them could even be driving around without a valid test, with clear safety and legal implications.

Since you can check the MoT status and history of your car, or one you are interested in buying in seconds on your smartphone for free, there should be no excuse to be uninformed"

MoT advisory notices were introduced in 2005 as a means of telling drivers about work needed on their vehicle, which met the test requirements on the day but may need attention in the future. The most common advisories are for wear to tyres and brake friction materials, but they can also apply to more serious concerns such as the onset of body corrosion or suspension problems, which can mean the car isn't likely to pass a future test without serious amounts of work.

The MoT check website was launched in 2012, along with

the requirement to display previously recorded mileages on the test certificate. However, there is still no mandatory MoT reminder service, as there is with road tax – although the MoT check website has an optional email alert feature.

"Our advice to anyone buying a used car would be to make the MoT check website their first port of call," added Milne. "It can give you so much information about a car's previous faults, and also help you steer clear of a used car that may well be hiding a very expensive fault, yet it seems that nearly half of us are prepared to buy a car without even checking its MoT history."

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## New TVR Griffith heralds a new dawn for iconic British manufacturer

WELCOMING a new era in its history, TVR has unveiled its all new sports car, the TVR Griffith, at the Goodwood Revival. Revealed to media and visitors, the Griffith is the first new TVR to be launched since the company was resurrected in British hands.

The new Griffith stays true to the brand's rich heritage, while employing cutting-edge engineering. The exterior has been designed to be as striking as it is aerodynamically efficient. The timeless sports car silhouette is accented with deep air intakes, generating high levels of downforce and cooling.

Embodying TVR's long-standing ethos of the Sprit of Driving – the principle of delivering an involving driving interface where the driver will always be fully in control – the new Griffith uses intelligent engineering over electronic driver aids. Only the second front-engined production car to feature a flat floor, the new TVR Griffith boasts a full ground-effect aerodynamic package to ensure that the car remains stable at high speeds and delivers exceptional handling abilities.

Employing Gordon Murray Design's innovative iStream architecture with carbon

composite structure and body panels, the new TVR Griffith weighs just 1250kg, offers exceptional torsional rigidity and a perfect 50:50 weight distribution.

Powering the new TVR Griffith is a naturally aspirated 5.0-litre Cosworth-enhanced V8, which enables 400bhp/tonne and is mated to a six-speed manual gearbox. The new TVR Griffith achieves a top speed of more than 200mph, and accelerates from 0-60mph in less than four seconds.

Les Edgar said: "Today's unveiling is the culmination of nearly three years of tireless work by the team, and we're all proud to be able to show the

new TVR Griffith to the world. This is unmistakably a TVR, a British muscle car that's as awesome and brutal as it is charismatic and refined. Importantly, the new TVR offers levels of technical sophistication, comfort, reliability and practicality never seen by the brand before."

The new TVR Griffith unveiled to the public today is presented in Launch Edition specification, which includes a full leather interior and custom alloy wheels, as well as Launch Edition paint options and a bespoke infotainment system. Starting from £90,000, production of the new TVR

Griffith Launch Edition will begin in late 2018.

TVR is also previewing the new Griffith in a striking pace

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■ TVR has unveiled its all new sports car, the TVR Griffith



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## Nissan fuses pioneering electric innovation and ProPILOT technology to create the new Nissan LEAF

Nissan today revealed its new Nissan LEAF – the world's most advanced mass-market electric vehicle (EV) and icon of the company's Intelligent Mobility vision.

All electric, and packed with ingenious technology, the new Nissan LEAF is the company's first car in Europe that will embrace the early steps of advanced driver assistance, and is packed with cutting-edge innovations such as e-Pedal, allowing you to drive and brake in a totally new and seamless way.

It can also go further, with a range of 378 km/235 miles on a single charge, and has been redesigned for a new generation, with a sleeker look inside and out.

The new Nissan LEAF will be on sale in Europe from January 2018.

Nissan Intelligent Mobility is the company's blueprint to redefine the future of driving and looks to progress the role of the car to be more than simply a mode of transport. Nissan Intelligent Mobility is defined by how the car is driven, how it is powered and how it integrates into society.

The new Nissan LEAF is the company's on-road embodiment of Nissan Intelligent Mobility, with its early-stage of ProPILOT technologies, ad-

vanced all-electric powertrain and unique ability to connect to and power the buildings it plugs in to.

### Nissan Intelligent Power

The focal point of Nissan Intelligent Power in the new Nissan LEAF is its e-powertrain, which offers improved energy efficiency and increased torque and power output for an enhanced dynamic performance. Complementing this new drivetrain is the high-tech lithium-ion battery pack, which delivers increased power and energy storage capacity.

Along with enhanced energy efficiency, the new e-powertrain delivers an exhilarating, linear driving performance with a power output of 110 kW. Torque has been increased to 320 Nm, resulting in improved acceleration.

The new Nissan LEAF's driving range has been increased to 378km/235 miles (New European Driving Cycle) on a single charge. For those who want to drive their new LEAF further, Nissan will introduce a high-power version with increased motor power and battery capacity at a higher price at the end of 2018. This version will provide an even longer range, giving customers a range choice depending on their driving needs.

### Nissan Intelligent Driving:

The new Nissan LEAF features three main new intelligent driving technologies. The first is ProPILOT advanced driver assistance system. Used during single-lane driving on the highway, it makes the drive easier, less stressful and more relaxing.

The second, ProPILOT Park, will change the way people think about parking. When activated, this technology will take control of all steering, acceleration, braking and gear selection to automatically guide the car into a parking spot. It makes parking stress free and more precise for all drivers.

The third, e-Pedal, is a revolutionary technology that transforms the way we drive. It allows drivers to start, accelerate, decelerate and stop simply by adjusting their input upon the accelerator pedal. When the accelerator is fully released, regenerative and friction brakes are applied automatically, gradually bringing the car to a complete stop. The car holds its position, even on steep uphill slopes, until the accelerator is pressed again. The reactivity of e-Pedal enables drivers to maximize their driving pleasure when the road opens up.

The conventional brake pedal must still be used in aggressive braking situations.

### Exterior design

The new Nissan LEAF's design expresses the company's forward-thinking attitude. The design was inspired by the IDS Concept car, which was first shown at the 2015 Tokyo Motor Show.

The front features Nissan's signature V-motion grille, echoing the DNA it shares with Nissan's other global top-sellers, such as the Nissan X-Trail and European favorite, the Nissan Qashqai. However, the grille's blue

color, a new signature feature for Nissan's electric vehicles, sets it apart. The floating roof adds style and a sense of movement. The sleek LED headlamps feature Nissan's characteristic boomerang design.

The new Nissan LEAF replaces the first-generation model, which has become the world's best-selling electric vehicle. More than 283,000 customers have chosen the LEAF since the model went on sale in 2010.



■ The new Nissan LEAF ProPILOT Park



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Chippenham Park	9	2 16
Wincanton	8	2 14
Bishop Sutton	8	0 14
Keynsham	5	10 12
Warminster	8	4 11
Radstock	7	3 11
Devizes	7	1 11
Roman Glass SG	7	6 10
Malmesbury Vic	6	1 10
Welton Rovers	7	4 9
Ash & Backwell	8	-2 9
Calne Town	8	-5 9
CHARD TOWN	8	-3 8
Almondsbury	9	-6 7
Bishops Lydeard	8	-14 7
Portishead	8	-10 6
Sherborne Town	8	-10 5
Cheddar	7	-7 4
Corsham Town	7	-12 4

Somerset Prem	Pld	GDpts
Clevedon Utd	6	5 13
Nailesea & Ticken	5	13 12
Chilcompton Sp	5	9 12
Watchet Town	5	5 11
Middlezey Rov	6	3 9
Nailesea Utd	5	1 9
Clutton	5	1 8
Fry Club	6	-1 7
Northwood Wand	5	0 6
ILMINSTER TN	5	0 6
Shirehampton	5	-1 5
Wington Redhill	5	-3 5
Odd Down Res	7	-10 5
Stockwood Green	5	-1 4
Staplegrave	5	-5 4
Bridgewater Res	6	-7 4
Wells City	5	-9 2

Somerset D1W	Pld	GDpts
Somerset Town	6	23 16
Worle	5	21 15
Berrow & Highb	5	15 15
Uphill Castle	5	12 12
Minehead AFC	5	10 12
Portishead Res	6	1 10
Nail & Tick Res	7	-3 10
Burnham Utd	5	7 9
Glastonbury	6	5 8
Winscombe	5	1 7
Yatton & Cleve	5	3 6
Street Res	5	2 3
Ash & Backwell Res	4	-8 3
Weston St Johns	5	-10 3
Clevedon Utd Res	6	-18 3
COMBE ST NIC	5	-20 1
Congresbury	5	-36 0

D&E Div 1 (28)	Pld	GDpts
Lyme Regis	4	10 10
Langford	3	12 6
Cullompton Res	3	9 6
CHARD TOWN RES	3	-4 6
Colyton	2	4 4
Chagford	2	2 3
Bickleigh	1	1 3
Alphington Res	4	-14 3
Wellington Res	3	-6 1
Heavitree Res	2	-8 1
Exeter Univ Res	0	0 0
PERRY STREET	1	-1 0
Sidmouth Res	2	-2 0
Dawlish Utd	1	-3 0

D&E Div 5 (26)	Pld	GDpts
Lyme Regis Res	3	6 9
Hemyock	3	2 9
ILMINSTER RES	2	3 4
Central	2	1 4
Halwill Res	2	1 4
Millwey Rise	2	4 3
Elmore Res	1	4 3
Ulm Utd	3	2 3
Black Swan Town	0	0 0
Dunkeslow Rov	0	0 0
Offwell Rangers	1	-3 0
Exwick Village	1	-4 0
Awilcombe	2	-7 0
Westex Park	2	-8 0

P Str Prem (20)	Pld	GDpts
Winsham Utd	2	6 3
Wentham Beau	1	5 3
W & M Chinnock	1	4 3
South Petherton	1	3 3
Barrington	0	0 0
Merriott Rovers	0	0 0
Misterton	1	-3 0
Pymore	1	-3 0
Combe Res	1	-3 0
Chard Utd	1	-4 0
Netherbury	1	-5 0

P Street D1 (20)	Pld	GDpts
Halstock	2	9 6
Uplyme	1	3 3
Shipton Beau Res	2	1 3
Hawkhurst Utd	1	1 3
Waytown Hounds	1	1 3
Forton Rangers	1	1 3
Ilminster Colts	0	0 0
Chard Rangers	2	-3 0
Drumpton	1	-4 0
Perry Street Res	2	-4 0
Farway Utd	1	-5 0

Perry St D2 (20)	Pld	GdPts
Charmouth	2	5 6
Thorncombe	2	5 6
Chard Utd Res	2	5 3
Forton Res	1	3 3
Crewkerne Rang	2	0 3
Misterton Res	2	0 3
Kingsbury	0	0 0
S.Petherton Res	2	-2 0
Dowlish & Don	1	-2 0
Combe A	1	-3 0
Winsham Utd Res	2	-12 0

Perry St D3 (18)	Pld	GDpts
Crew Rang Res	2	6 6
Merriott Dynamos	2	4 6
Chard Rangers Res	2	3 3
Ilminster Town A	1	2 3
Thorncombe Res	2	-1 3
Donyatt Utd	2	-2 3
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Chard Town 3

Toolstation League (D1) - att; 45  
CHARD Town's first ever match against league new boys Bristol Telephones brought three welcome points for Paul Down's troops who knocked their hosts off the top spot in the process with the result of the weekend.

The Robins made a great start when a home defender put through his own goal with just three minutes on the clock.

And it was 2-0 just seven minutes later when James Boyland latched onto a poor back pass.

Chard were forced to reshuffle just before the interval when Brad Miles was forced off with a leg injury and Liam Cleal entered the action.

Undeterred, Down's side thought they had added a third before the break but skipper Taoufik Ben Salem's effort was ruled out for off-side.

As expected the hosts upped their game after the interval and Leon Britton pulled one back with a fine diving header on the hour mark.

They equalised 20 minutes from time when a free kick deflected off a defender giving Robins' keeper Jon Hill no chance.

But Chard rallied and grabbed a deserved winner in the 83rd minute when Scott Jakman did well to pick out Boyland who netted with a 25-yard scorch in the top bin.

**Chard Town:** Jon Hill, Andy Holmes, Nick Jacobs, Ben Haines, Matt Howell (Jack Dicker 82), Luke Jackson (Ryan Mason 75), Scott Jakman, Max Westlake, Brad Miles (Liam Cleal 42), Taoufik Ben Salem, James Boyland.

Next up for the Robins is tomorrow's (Wednesday) visit by Welton Rovers (7.30pm ko) which is followed by another home game on Saturday against Westbury United (3pm).

SOMERSET LEAGUE  
ILMINSTER TOWN 0  
NAILESEA & TICKENHAM 0

## Premier Division

WHEN unbeaten top of the table Nailesea & Tickenham came to Town, the young Ilminster side knew that they would be tested.

Jake Woodard was unavailable so Adam Male was moved to centre half with Mike McCormack making a welcome return in midfield.

The visitors were a big physically strong team but it was the Blues who started the brighter, with Charlie Berrington working an opening for Brad Pitman who fired just wide from the edge of the box.

At the mid way point of the first half Nailesea played some great football and keeper Chris May did well to push the ball wide for a corner.

The resultant corner caused confusion in the penalty area and it needed a great clearance from Luke Paul.

Just before half time Berrington blocked a clearance which fell to

McCormack whose half volley flew just wide.

With 20 minutes remaining Nailesea upped their game and had a glorious chance but Chris May made a fantastic double save to keep the match all square. The battling blues were now hanging on and from a cross the ball bounced on the top of the crossbar.

Ilminster spokesman Andy Fish said: "This was a fantastic battling performance from the young team who fully deserved the point, Adam Male playing out of position at centre half never put a football wrong alongside the outstanding Jonny May who always leads by example.

"The whole side worked really hard but it was Chris May took the man of the Match honours with three great saves.

**Ilminster:** Chris May, Luke Paul, Jonny May, Adam Male, Karl Davies, Ben Pitman, Brad Pitman, Jack Male, Mike McCormack, Charlie Rutter, Charlie Berrington.

Ilminster travel to Bridgwater Town Res tonight (7.45pm) ahead of a trip to Wington Redhill on Saturday.

UPHILL CASTLE CLUB 7  
COMBE ST NICHOLAS 0

## Division One (West)

COMBE are still hunting their first win of the season after suffering a 7-0 hammering at fourth placed Uphill Castle.

The Saints are on the road again next Saturday with a trip to Portishead Town Res.

## DEVON &amp; EXETER LEAGUE

## PERRY STREET 0

## CHARD TOWN RESERVES 1

A DARRIN Contreras strike 15 minutes from time proved decisive as Chard Town Reserves came out on top against Perry Street at Tatworth in what is believed to be the D&E League's first ever South Somerset derby match.

## SOMERSET JUNIOR CUP

BIG wins for South Petherton and Merriott Rovers were the highlights for the PSDL clubs in the opening round (last 64) of the Junior Cup, while Ilminster Town Reserves were thrashed at Coleford Athletic.

The village fete at Lightgate Lane saw Pethy switch their match with Churchill Club to Kingsbury. But Karl Diment's side were quickly into their stride with Jody Bovey grabbing a first half hat-trick.

Reece (2), Danny Rendall and new signing Dan Rudge scored the others in a 7-1 triumph.

Merriott also hit seven as Chew Magna were hammered 7-0. Paul Nichols (2), Jamie Spurdle (2), Craig Dabinett, Liam Riste and sub Chadley Mallett netted for the Rovers under new player-manager Matt Bisgrove.

Shepton Beauchamp also tasted success on their trip to Wedmore. Sam Murley (2), Doug Whitfield (pen) and Will Ruistick scored for the Old Monsters who were held to 1-1 at full time. "We made hard work of it," said manager Alex Cossins



MISTERTON Reserves pictured before Saturday's 5-3 win at Dowlish & Donyatt, line-up, standing from left: Chris Wall, Kieron Adams, Jack Williams, Albert Luque, Jack Blunn, Jordan Chant, Stu Weston. Front: Paul McCormack, Ashley Dodge, Dean Richards, Callum Hooper, Scott Barry, Callum Preston. Missing from photo - Kieron Bailey and George Cable.

who was impressed by Ruistick's superb solo goal.

There was a gutsy home win for West & Middle Chinnock who saw off Clevedon Utd 5-2 having trailed 2-0.

Debutant Charlie Male was the star with a hat-trick which included a 90th minute equalizer at the end of normal time. Matt Harvey (pen) and Alex Eckland had the others.

Combe Reserves failed to raise a team for the trip to Bishops Lydeard.

## Results

Coleford Athletic 10 Ilminster Town Res 0  
Merriott Rovers 7 Chew Magna Res 0  
Wedmore 1 Shepton Beau 4  
Bishop Lydeard Res H-W Combe Res  
Templecombe Rovers 5 Chard Utd 0  
South Petherton 7 Churchill Club Res 1  
W & M Chinnock 5 Clevedon Utd A 2

Perry Street League  
DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP R1  
Forton Rangers 0 Farway Utd 5

GOALS from Liam Spiller, Ernie Stobbs (2, 1pen) and Sam Loud Loud (2) saw Farway United ease through to the next round of the Daisy Hutchings cup.

The arrival of Ben Fullick and Spiller, who bagged 25 goals for Offwell Rangers last season along with the return of Matt Williams from Colyton, has offset the Farway loss of Brad King to Upottery.

## PREMIER

## Pymore 1 Winsham Utd 4

PYMORE's historic first ever premier division match ended in disappointment as the they were beaten at St Mary's on Saturday.

"It was pretty even stevens all game, there wasn't much between the teams, they [Winsham] took their chances and we didn't," said Pymore assistant manager Matt Tither.

"It could have been different had Ryan Gay netted at 2-1 but his shot was blocked on the line and Winsham scored twice late-on."

Tim Hussey netted the hosts' consolation with Ross Goodland, Alex Manley, Dan Norman and Neil Hawkins on target for the Winsh.

## DIVISION ONE

Chard Rangers 3 (S.Curtis, M.Gaylard, S.Marshall) Hawkhurst Utd 4 (J.Harris 2, J.Short 2), Halstock 5 (M.Whitmarsh 2, L.Bennie, S.Blatch, B.Brister) Drimpton 1 (B.Hayne), Uplyme 3 (J.Souter-Phillips 2, F.Harris) Perry Street Res 0, Waytown Hounds 4 (D.Boot, D.Rumsby, J.Legg, D.Boot) Shepton Beauchamp Res 3 (K.Howells, S.Lock, T.Crocker).

## DIVISION TWO

Crewkerne Rangers 5 (S.Denslow 2, M.Traynor 2, W.Gullin) South Peth Res 4, Thorncombe 6 (L.Fisher 3, A.Atkins, B.Garrett, D.Hardie) Chard Utd Res 2 (L.Macklin, OG), Charmouth 6 (D.Rendell 2, M.Pile 2, B.Seward 2) Combe A 3, Dowlish & Donyatt 3 (A.Payne, S.Fisher, OG) Misterton Res 5 (J.Williams 2, C.Preston 2, S.Weston), Winsham Utd Res 1 (B.Hodder) Forton Rangers Res 4.

## DIVISION THREE

Farway Utd Res P-P Ilminster A (wa-

terlogged pitch), Netherbury Res 4 (S.Symonds 2, J.James, C.Morgan) Merriott Dynamos 5, Chard Rangers Res 2 (A.Maiz, R.Footen) Donyatt Utd 3, Crewk Rangers Res 3 (S.Isaacs 3, S.Bryant) Lyme Rovers 1 (R.Fowler), Thorncombe Res 2 (S.Packer, N.Hopkins) Chard Utd All Stars 1 (M.Vine).

FIXTURES - September 16th  
DEVON INTERMEDIATE CUP R1 (2pm ko)

Offwell Rangers v Farway Utd  
Hawkhurst Utd v Elmore Res  
Uplyme v Appledore Lions

## SOMERSET JUNIOR CUP R1 (2pm)

Woolavington v Misterton

## SOMERSET INTERMEDIATE CUP R1 (2pm)

Chard Rangers v Bath Villa  
Meadow Rangers v South Petherton Res  
Forton Rangers v AFC Nailesea

## PERRY STREET LEAGUE

(all 2.30pm ko)

## PREMIER

Combe Res v Pymore  
Netherbury v South Petherton  
Winsham Utd v Merriott Rovers

## DIVISION ONE

Drimpton v Waytown Hounds  
Halstock v Ilminster Town Colts

## DIVISION TWO

Thorncombe v Crewkerne Rangers  
Chard Utd Res v Misterton Res  
Charmouth v Winsham Utd Res

Combe A v Forton Rangers Res  
Kingsbury Episcopi v Dowlish & Donyatt

## DIVISION THREE

Chard Utd All Stars v Ilminster Town A  
Donyatt Utd v Farway Utd  
Lyme Regis Rovers v Netherbury Res  
Thorncombe Res v Crewkerne Rangers Res



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## jack high bowls round-up

# Good Evans! Sue lands hat-trick of wins

### FENITON with Roger Smith

THERE was a really close match with SEATON REDS in the ladies over 50s league that ended in 34-34 tie. The winning rink was C Sanders, A Pritchard & D Phillips 28-9.

However, in the NBTL the ladies lost 53-24 to TOPSHAM.

The mixed team were beaten 75-66 at BITTON PARK. The winning rinks were D Bowden, G Skinner, Ru Clarke & I Veitch 22-13, B Bowden, D Downs, S Kury & A Kury 23-18 and G Phillips, A Pritchard, L Ley & Ro Clarke 16-14.

The **Finals Weekend** of the internal Club competitions saw Tony Kury defeat Dave Downes 22-16 in the Men's Singles and Tracey Crawford defeat Ruby Veitch 21-9 in the Ladies Singles Final.

The Club Singles was won by Roy Lovering who defeated Dave Downes 21-13.

The postponed Men's Handicap was won by Alan Smith who saw off Dave Sanders 24-8.

Kate Wise won the Ladies Plate beating Pat Figg 21-11.

The Club Pairs was won by Graham Phillips & John Livings who were victorious over Les Ley and Roy Lovering by 21-15.

The Husband and Wife competition was won by Roger & Judy Smith who defeated Tony & Sue Kury 22-18.

In the Sir John Acland Trophy, Di Bowden defeated Dave Faulkes 7-2, 2-7, 8-3,7-3.

In the Mixed Pairs competition Dave Sanders & Pat Figg overcame Graham Phillips & Di Bowden 24-17.

On Sunday Feniton will be hosting the final of the Western Morning News Men's Pairs competition and the finals of the Burmah Star mixed triples competition.

### AXMINSTER with David Harris

AXMINSTER are ending their season on a high with success on two fronts.

The **Carpet Cup** held at Kingsteignton was won by the team of Philippa White, David Harris, Ann Clayton & Bob Sherborne who triumphed in a tight competition on shot difference.

Meanwhile, the club's Over 60s men's team finished as runners-up in the Exeter & District League which guarantees promotion for next season, despite losing their final game 46-30 at TIVERTON WE.

The team clinched promotion the previous week with an excellent 41+20 home win against CULLOMPTON with wins on both rinks - John Ellis, David Harris & Bob Sherborne (24-9) and John Hill, George Mabon & Doug Looskan (17-11).

The only friendly played was lost 49-37 at SEVERALLS with a winning rink of Philippa White, David Harris, Alan McLaren (guest) & Steven Apsey (24-10).

The other scheduled games at home to

CHARDSTOCK and away at CULMVALE were both rained off.

On Saturday, October 7th, the Axminster Indoor bowls Club are holding an **OPEN DAY** from 10.30am until 1pm when all are welcome to come and try the game. All necessary equipment will be supplied, but flat shoes must be worn.

For further information please contact David on 0129734175 or George on 0129721572.

### SEATON with Alan Nicholas

ON Monday, September 4th the Ladies Over 50s Triples League Blue team commenced their busy final week of matches away against MORCHARD BISHOP.

This resulted in a 35-27 win. Top triple was; Angie Mayhew, Linda Stone & Marian Vessey.

On Tuesday at SIDMOUTH BLUE Seaton were again successful winning 31-28 in heavy drizzle. Top triple; Angie Mayhew, Linda Stone & Joan Miles.

On Wednesday they completed their season with a home win against OTTERTY. However, Ottery took the match on shots scored 36-31. Top triple was; Barbara Sluman, Lilian Hurley-Smith & Joan Miles. This resulted in the Seaton Blue team finishing in second place in Division One, with Crediton Yellow taking top spot.

The Ladies Red team drew their last match of the season 34-34 at home, against FENITON on Tuesday. Top triple; Ann Joyner, Ruby Grigg & Lin Allison (28-9).

The Men's Over 60s Triples League C team beat also OTTERTY C 49-28 on Tuesday. Top triple; Dennis Ridd, Ray Thompson & Reg Pluck (20-8).

On Thursday a friendly match was won 73-68 at CREWKERNE. Seaton had joint top rinks of; Margaret Nicholas, Ray Thompson, Angie Mayhew & Terry Hurley-Smith (20-15) and; Hilary Sunderland, Alan Nicholas, Ruby Grigg & Roger Woolland (21-16).

Finally, on Friday SHAFESBURY played a seven-rink match to open their West Country tour with Seaton winning well 120-75. Top rink; Gill Sykes, Ted Talbot, Lilian Hurley-Smith & Phil Crichard.

### HONITON with Julie Grant

HONITON bowler Sue Evans won the Over 55 pairs with Carole Binmore on the Saturday at the Devon Ladies finals held at Topsham last weekend and then on the Sunday won the fours with Yvonne Rayner, Janet Sherwood.

Sue finished off the successful weekend with a singles win in the Over 55 competition.

### CHARD with Peter Avery

CHARD completed its Wessex League programme with three matches in quick succession.

The visit to STREET proved to be the

most difficult without any winning rinks.

It was a little better at GILLINGHAM where Teresa Pinder, Peter Avery & Alan White won 19-10.

The most disappointing result was at Mere. Having won the home game just 12 days earlier the team travelled with high hopes but could only share the rinks (Maureen Fenwick, Roy Vaux & Peter Fisher 20-18; Fred Ward, Lynn Beale & Maurice Wakeling 18-12) and lost overall; Phil Stringer, Bill Hucker & Barbara Ball also played well only losing 14-15.

Attention then shifted to the remaining friendly fixtures including two against touring teams before the traditional Closing of the Green on September 23rd.

A good start was made in the home triples against DUNKESWELL (Phil Stringer, Brian Smith & Barbara Ball 17-11; Pauline Small, Iain Weeks & Clive Small 19-15; Denise Fisher, Peter Fisher & Keith Johnson 19-10).

The NOMADS were next to visit Bond's Close when Chard won three and drew one of the four rinks; our winning triples were Pauline Small, Keith Johnson & Clive Small 27-10; Doug Hislop, Peter Fisher & Barbara Ball 22-17; Denise Fisher, Peter Avery & Ron Genge 17-9, while Doris Finch, Dennis Finch & Stan Fowler drew 16-16.

At TAUNTON VIVARY Chard shared the rinks (Teresa Pinder, Alan White, Glenn Berry & Barry Pinder 19-15; Tudor Jones, Lynn Beale, Bill Hucker & Maurice Wakeling 20-14) but lost overall 70-77.

Next up at WELLINGTON Chard were only able to win on one rink with Teresa Pinder, Lynn Beale & Peter Avery (22-10) and lost 53-83.

Last weekend the club hosted the SUFFOLK PRESIDENT'S touring team for a match of six triples, there were a number of close games (Scott Sharp, Roy Bashford & Roy Vaux 13-15; Jackie Weeks, Teresa Pinder & Mike Nichols 12-15) but the visitors won quite comfortably.

In the last week of August there was yet more success for the short mat team.

CORFE were beaten on their own mats by 40-30 (Dot Ducker, Rosie Barnard & Stan Ducker 9-7; Jenny Corneliuss, Phil Stringer & Bill Hucker 9-8; Ena Stringer, Roy Vaux & Vic Barnard 13-3) and visitors CREECH ST MICHAEL were dispatched 48-25 with big wins for Rosie Barnard, Phil Stringer & Norman Sumpter (16-13) and Hilary Angold, Margaret Flynn & David Angold (20-3) they were backed up by a 9-6 win for Ena Stringer, Roy Vaux & Ron Griffin.

This string of victories bodes well for the two teams in the East Devon League which gets underway in late September.



■ FINALISTS: Roger Smith & Judy Smith (left) who beat Sue Kury and Tony Kury 22-18 in the Husband and Wife Final at Feniton.

### MERRIOTT with Jean Crisp

MERRIOTT held their club competitions on 1st and 2nd September.

The winners were; Handicap: Winner Ian Kendall, runner-up John Parsons. 4 Wood Pairs: Winners Nick Whitfield & Maureen Allen, runners-up Phil White & John Booth.

Mens 2 wood: Winner Ian Kendall, runner-up Ed Rush.

Ladies 2 wood: Winner Ann Truscott, Runner-up Carole Parsons.

Veterans: Winner John Parsons, runner-up Tom Jones.

Men's Championship: Winner Dave Baker, runner-up John Parsons.

Ladies Championship: Winner Ann Truscott, runner-up Carole Parsons. The 2 wood pairs competition will be played at a later date due to holidays.

### ILMINSTER with Des Maull

ON Saturday the men won 12-0 against Taunton A to win the Premier League and on Sunday they won by five shots against BATH to win the Turnbull Cup.

County League Saturday, A team details: Steve Peasland, Kevin Hamilton, Bev Brister & Peter Mattravers 23 P Shaw 15; Tony Peterson, Alan Holt, Jonny Kingston & Neil Rowe 25 J Amery 17; Levi Hembrow, Eric Keitch, Will Anderson & Chris Robinson 21 T Hembrow 16.

The B team won 61-43 away at NORTH PETHERTON with Ilminster winning two of the three rinks. Details: Des Maull, Ken Giles, Roger Lench & Barry Sims 22 J Swane 12; John Osborne, Colin White, Derek Bassett & Rod Parkin 25 M Payne 13; Tony Bickle, Kevin Crouch, Ken Parker & Dave Crouch 14 D Thomas 18. Ilminster 10pts North Petherton 2.

The C team lost 70-48 at home to TAUNTON DEANE B with Ilminster.

Details: Eric Turner, Leo Bonning, Pete Bloomfield & John Mitchell 21 B Porter 21; Edward Bidgood, Julian Smith, Mark Davies & Roy Orme 10 N Nation 23; Oli Collins, Bill Armstrong, Eddie Read & Dave Pugh 17 J Frost 26.

Ilminster one point Taunton 11.

In the Turnbull Cup Ilminster won 82-77. Details: Levi Hembrow, Eric Keitch, Bev Brister & Chris Robinson 17 C Spurrey 19; Tony Peterson, Colin White, Ian Lightfoot & Neil Rowe 26 D Taylor 11; Steve Peasland, Alan Holt, Kevin Hamilton & Peter Mattravers 23 D McGovern 22; Dave Pugh, Barry Sims, Jonny Kingston & Will Anderson 16 C Ellery 25.

Also on Sunday Ilminster Ladies went down 3-1 on rinks in dreadful conditions against ST ANDREWS (W S M) in the Southey Trophy Semi-Final. Details: Singles Val Dargue 4-21; Pairs Sarah Lightfoot & Maureen Mitchell 22-14; Triples Margaret Evans, Norma Pugh & Monica Woodland 15-18; Fours Sam Wall, Ann Eckley, Christine Davies & Angie Thompson 7-21.

Ilminster played a four rink mixed friendly at home to QUEEN CAMEL with the home team winning on all rinks. Details: Marjory Smith, Kevin Crouch & Dave Crouch 27 I MacKinnon 10; Ann Eckley, Julian Smith & Eddie Read 36 M Warnett 4; Barbara Madden, Sam Wall & Tony Bickle 22 B Ridout 10; Derek Carter, Norma Pugh & Dave Pugh 21 J Cowan 7.

Ilminster finished their fixtures in the Wessex Mixed League with games at Street and home against South Petherton.

At STREET Ilminster lost 57-50. Details: Ann Eckley, Dave Cox & Eddie Read 16 P Grant 11; Des Maull, Norma Pugh & Roger Lench 13 B Bull 15; Steve Peasland, Christine Davies & Derek Bassett 11 D Marshall 10; Abi Bonning, Ken Parker & Tony Bickle 10 G Colena Ilminster 4pts Street 8.

At home to SOUTH PETHERTON Ilminster won 72-52. Details: Val Dargue, Kevin Crouch & Dave Crouch 27 G Meecham 6; Sam Wall, Ken Parker & Dave Pugh 14 P Mottram 23; Ann Eckley, Roy Orme & Eddie Read 18 R Corbet 12; Barbara Madden, Steve Peasland & Dave Hall 13 P Hutchings 11. Ilminster 10pts, Petherton 2.

## AXMINSTER WINTER DART LEAGUE AGM

(Tuesday, September 19th 8.30pm at Axminster Inn)

Anyone wishing to enter a team, stand as an officer of the league or propose a rule change should attend the meeting. Please note at present the league does not have a fixture secretary and unless this can be resolved at the meeting the league will not be able to continue.

Anyone who would be prepared to take on this role please attend the meeting.

Anyone wishing to enter a team but cannot attend the meeting can contact us via the league website on [www.axminsterdarts.leaguerepublic.com](http://www.axminsterdarts.leaguerepublic.com) or Call Esther on 07821007398 [ebulmer@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ebulmer@hotmail.co.uk)

## skittles colyton

### KO Cup results

Tuckers D 294 (P Cox 56) Vine Nomads 309 (D Norman 57); Lamb A 322 (B Smith 60) Honiton Con D 318 (M Wheaton 62); Mountbatten Whites 320 (N Bonetta 77) Tuckers Arms B 346 (K Sweetland 63); Offwell B 367 (S Scotland 66) Heathfield B 371 (Eileen Glaeser 68); Vine B w/o v Cloakham A; Honiton Converts 372 (S Lapping 74); New Inn A 364 (D Jones 73); New Inn B 365 (A Rees 74); Sidbury Lions 325 (J Smith 63); Gerrard B 369 (D Tuckers 70) Cloakham Wanderers 340 (G Hayball 69); Red Lion Sid 364 (N Barrett

73) Colcombe Nomads 341 (J Channon 68); Heathfield A 370 (D Crabb 73) Millwey Misfits 335 (Caroline Jenkins 63); Seaton FC A 342 (A Anning 62) Gerrard A 352 (M Johnson 65); Kingfisher A 289 (M Griffiths, A Parsons 54) Kings Arms A 290 (K Tozer, P Hodge 52); Axe Inn A 318 (R Payne 64) Colcombe B 307 (D Batten 60); Wheelwright A 384 (P Squires 76) Honiton Con A 344 (M Richards 64); Honiton Conartists 343 (D Jones 65) Vine A 333 (C Every 64); Rising Sun B 347 (M Clode 69) Seaton FC B 281 (Liz Furber 60); Kings Arms B 339 (M Pidgeon 67); Three Tuns BTP 320 (A Deen 59)

Con A; Dolphin Vikings 379 (S Morris, K Aris 69) Rising Sun A 396 (P Northcott 81); Sidmouth Arms Kings 328 (J Johnson 65) Dolphin Dolls 290 (Emma Westlake 59); Wilmington Harts 375 (J Woollacott 70) Offwell A Silverbacks 383 (B Grant 74); White Hart B 340 (S Robinson 65) Colyton Club A 330 (P Scotchford 62); Colcombe Beerboys 427 (S Bartlett 86) Cloakham B 415 (P Miller 96); Volunteer A 350 (M Woollacott 62) Tuckers Arms C 281 (T Patch 56); Colyton Club B 362 (G Richards 67) Lamb B 339 (M Pidgeon 66); Three Tuns BTP 320 (A Deen 59)

Red Lion Cavaliers 336 (M Summers 62); Ship A 386 (P Ives 73) Seaton Bowling club 336 (Barbara Thompson 63); Hook Parrots 278 (B Addington 58) Wilmington Spares 299 (T Darrant 53); Tuckers Arms A 350 (D Dower 70) Hook & Parrot Smugglers 314 (M Howe 57); Eagle Tavern 389 (B Hutchings 84) White Hart A 360 (S Dole 66); Colcombe A gave game to Honiton WMC A; Honiton WMC B 311 (B Knight 59) Sidmouth FC 339 (N Hill 63).

### 2nd round draw (October 6th):

Sidmouth Arms Kings v Bye; New Inn B v Axe Con A; Volunteer A v

Red Lion Sidbury; Vine Nomads v Offwell A; Rising Sun A v Rising Sun B; Tuckers Arms A v Axe Inn A; Wilmington Spares v Wheelwright A; Lamb A v Hon Conartists; Ship A v Gerrard A; Gerrard B v Tuckers Arms B; Sidmouth FC v Vine B; Honiton WMC A v White Hart B; Red Lion Cavaliers v Heathfield B; Eagle Tavern v Honiton Converts; Kings Arms A v Colyton Club B; Heathfield A v Colcombe Beerboys.

### Tony Hawkins Memorial Knocked-Out Cup, 1st round draw

(October 6th): Dolphin Dolls v Bye; Sidbury (Red) Lions v Bye; Tuckers Arms C v Colcombe Nomads; Tuckers Arms D v Wilmington Harts; Dolphin Vikings v Seaton FC B; Hook & Parrot Smugglers v Colcombe B; Hook Parrots v Honiton Con A; Honiton Con D v Vine A; Seaton Bowling v Seaton FC A; Cloakham Wanderers v Mountbatten Whites; Honiton WMC B v Bye; Bye v Colyton Club A; Three Tuns BTP v Offwell B; White Hart A v New Inn A; Kingfisher A v Lamb B; Cloakham Millwey Misfits v Cloakham B.

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## rugby chard

# Long wait finally ends

**Burnham-on-Sea 13 Chard 31**

*Western Counties West*

CHARD made it two wins in a row with a very competent display against the only other Somerset team in the division writes *Glyn Hughes*.

The win was also significant in that it was the first victory of any kind that Chard 1st xv have had away from their Park Road base for 21 months!

For those with long memories this was against Coney Hill in Gloucester on December 19th 2015. Despite a stormy outlook the game started in near perfect conditions, but Chard were guilty of a number of infringements and Burnham took a three point lead with their first kickable penalty.

But Chard gradually got on top with some fine forward play and Joe Mainwaring went over for the first try that was converted by Charlie Roberts.

Both sides made basic errors close to the home 22 area but Chard took full advantage of the opportunity presented to them and Mainwaring crossed for his second try. The conversion was missed but Chard led 12-3.

Burnham raised their game and pulled things back to 8-12 with a well deserved try.

But the Burnham forwards had no answer to the power of the Chard pack and not surprisingly the referee awarded Chard a penalty try (an automatic 7pts from this season) following a series of infringements.

The Chard backs were playing their part in a good team display and, after good work from Ben Stead, Luke Hill crossed for his first try in 1st xv league rugby which ensured a four try bonus point for Chard who led 24-8 at half time.

Burnham certainly upped their game in the second half and scored an unconverted try almost from the restart.

However, the Chard defensive play was very good and much of the second half was evenly contested.

In the latter stages Burnham had a player sent to the bin and Chard took advantage as Max Gosden crossed over the line for their fifth try which was converted by Roberts.

Chard have a home fixture against Kingsbridge on Saturday (3pm ko).

**Chard 2nd 7 Castle Cary 24**

*Somerset Division Two (S)*

A VERY young and enthusiastic Chard side played well but the greater experience of the visiting team in the end proved the difference between the sides.

Next Saturday Chard 2nds are away at Burnham and Chard 3rds begin their season with a home game against Cheddar.

## angling ilminster

# Hopping holds on

THE final round of Ilminster Angling Association's Summer League was fished by 16 competitors in wet and blustery conditions on Sunday at Dillington.

Ilminster's Bill Hopping was leading the league going into this match and made sure of the title on his first attempt with another win, this time with 15lb 8oz of bream and skimmers on paste from favoured peg 2.

Graham Field (Taunton) was second with 10lb 13oz of small fish from peg 20 which secured second place in the league, just edging out John Dursley (Enterprise Angling) who finished third on the day and in third in the league with 10lb 6oz of skimmers from peg 19.

The club would like to thank to Rob Cox and Steve Hurford for all their hard work running the league and also to Ilminster Bowling Club for their hospitality.

The first match of the Winter League is on Sunday, October 1st, the draw will be at Upper Coxes between 8.30 and 9am and for those wanting breakfast, meet at the Little Chef at 8am.

Names to Steve Hurford.

Sections: A - Jamie Rich (Against Men and Fish) 9lb 8oz, B - Adie Bishop (Taunton) 8lb 6oz.

Final League standings; 1st Bill Hopping 11pts, 2nd Graham Field 15, 3rd John Dursley 17.

## tee off golf

# Saints event attracts 60 teams

**HONITON with John Pawley**

THE morning rain, wind and mist of last Tuesday gave way to drier conditions for the Tuesday mixed in the afternoon.

The format this week was an American Foursomes which was won by Cherry Liell & Ken Wood with 37 Stableford points. They were followed by Maureen Tollemache & Larry Goodliffe with 35, and in third place were Sue Kelson & John Frith with 33.

The Ladies Stableford competitions last week were for the Granny's Cup, and for those who do not have grandchildren, the Bournemouth Cup.

Whilst conditions were very wet for the early starters, the rain held off and the greens were surprisingly speedy.

The winning Granny was Janet Hughes with 36 points, and the winning non-granny (Bournemouth Cup) was Tricia Swindell with 33.

Silver Division was won by Olwen Eaton with 34 with Tricia Swindell ahead on count-back from Liz Wood - both with 33.

Bronze One winner was Janet Hughes with Linda Blundell ahead on count-back from Lesley Farley - both with 32 points.

Bronze Two winner was Carol Cole

with 31 with Chris Major next, on count-back, from Cherry Liell (29). The nine-hole winner was Maureen Tollemache.

The Seniors' run of good match results ended early last week with a defeat 5-1 at Torquay.

By Friday conditions were extremely testing for the Monthly Medal.

Withdrawals meant that less than 40 completed cards were handed in.

Scores above 70 were the order and Steve Blundell, Jim Wallis and David Scott - acquiring eight balls each for carding the only 2s.

The winner of Division Two was Mike Delaney with 71 followed by John Pawley (73) then Tom Tunncliffe and Peter Blake, both with 74.

The Division One, and September Medal, winner was Phil Deacon with 71, followed by Steve Butcher (74) Mike Ward (75) and John Fleetwood (76).

## CRICKET ST THOMAS

*with Bert Robinson*

A TOTAL of 54 Seniors recently held their September qualifying medal.

Conditions proved to be difficult with only one player able to post a sub par score. A tight finish in Division One saw favourite Danny Dowell finish in top spot with a level

par round of 70 beating 'Toss' Smith into second place by one shot with George Wallace one shot behind in third.

In Division Two Ian Fielder played some great golf and recorded a round of 69, enough to beat Mike King into second place by two shots.

Results: Division One 1st Danny Dowell (70), 2nd Toss Smith (71) 3. George Wallace (72)

Division Two: 1st Ian Fielder (69), 2nd Mike King (71) 3rd Brian Marsh (73).

Last Wednesday the Seniors held their prestige event, the three-man Texas Scramble Open which attracted 60 teams. Such a large field was unusual for the Seniors, but it reflects on the work put in by the owners of the club who have placed the golf club on the map, and now attracts golfers from

throughout the region.

Results: Home Teams; 1st Martin Putland; Ian Griffith & Roger Davis 58.33, 2nd Maurice Arnold; Chris Basterfield & Richard Forster 59.83, 3rd Mike Banfield; Tony Church & Ray Gudge 59.83.

Visiting Teams: 1st J.Evans; R.Parminter & P.Birch (Long Sutton) 57.83, 2nd D. Dowell; R Stevens & A Johnson (Mixed) 58.33, 3rd H Chapman; J Hobson & R Ward (Dainton Park) 59.33, 4th M Water house; J Brewster & D Llewellyn (The Dorset) 59.33, 5th K Gidley; J Gardiner & M Ball (Taunton & Pickering) 59.83.

It is anticipated that an amount in excess of £500 was raised for charity.

## AXE CLIFF with Peter Motsom

LAST Wednesday the Ladies section played their monthly Medal and also, their Vets Bowl which was Stroke Play competition for Ladies of 60 and over.

The Vets Bowl and Medal was won by Stella Thompson with a nett score of 75.

In second place for the Vets Bowl and Medal was Helen Kenworthy with a nett 76 with Jill Wellington third with 77 for Medal only.

Margaret Kenchington clinched third in the Medal with a nett 79.

Despite incessant rain last Friday, the Seniors' held their Captain's Day competition and also the Cooper Shield.

The Captains Day trophy was won by Neil Moorcraft with 30 points. In second place on countback was Ron Bragg also with 30 and close behind in third place was Bill Polley with 29.

The Cooper Shield was won on count-back by Dave Evans with 26 points from Dave Sammons also with 26. B Cook took the third with 23.

The heavy rain got the better of many players and some did not complete the 18 holes. However two golfers carded twos; Adrian Bishop scored on the 11th and Mick Swann on the slightly more tricky 7th.

The longest drive was won by Malcolm Reynolds.



■ **IN FORM:**  
September Medal winner: Phil Deacon

# Smith 30th in 57,000 north run field!

## AXE VALLEY RUNNERS

*with Dave Mutter*

JAKE Smith was one of the 57,000 runners at the **Great North Run** (13.1 miles) on Sunday.

To say he ran well would be an understatement, he finished 30th in 1:10:07, an absolutely superb performance!

Meanwhile, Matt Hewer, Matt Clist, Josh Hopson and James Green travelled to Martock to take on **The Ash Excellent 8**.

A bit of rain made for some very slippery sections but overall the going was relatively good over the mostly flat terrain.

James Green (50:11) pulled clear to win from Matt Clist (50:37) in an AVR one-two.

Matt Hewer produced a strong run and finish to come in 12th (57:57). Josh Hopson also put in a solid performance to come 40th (1:06:31).

Oliver Thorogood won the latest **Seaton parkrun** in 18:00 with AVR's John Blackledge 3rd, 19:23. SWRR's Ellie Dominey was the first lady home.

## CHARD RUNNING CLUB

*with Paul Masters*

HELEN Baxter ran the Bad Cow Frolic at Burnbeck near Corfe Castle, this race was run over 12 hours around an off-road trail course with prizes given for distance rather than speed. Helen crossed the line as 3rd Lady covering 39 miles in 11 hours.

Elsewhere the Chard Chaser 10k on Sunday attracted the attention of Banah Crook, Mandy Poulton, Gary Wheaton, Rachel Collins and Wayne Loveridge.

Result: Wayne Loveridge 00:36:29in 2nd/150, Rachel Collins (1st lady) 7/150 00:41:41, Gary Wheaton 1:03:49, Banah Crook 1:17:11, Mandy Poulton 1:20:08.

Next it was off to the New Forest for the McLean Brothers Rod and Stuart, Addie Douglas and Andy Mear to cover the 26.2 miles of Forest Trails.

Result: Roddy McLean 3:29:24 63/740, Stuart McLean 3:46:38 152/740, Addie Douglas 4:34:57 480/740, Andy Mear 4:35:01 481/740.

CRR's last event was off to

Day two of The Bad Cow this time for the Half and Full Marathon.

Paul Masters took on the Full marathon crossing the

line in 3:57:54 16th/150 Taking on the Half Marathon was Kieron Chapman who finished in 2:03:42 31st/161.

## boules axe valley league

**Division One:** Gerrard Arms B 1 Whitford Warriors 4; Kingfisher A 3 Kingfisher Rebels 2; Ship Castaways 2 Axe Cliff B 3; Gerrard Arms B 3 Golden Hind B 2; Whitford Warriors 4 Fishers 1.

**Division Two:** Golden Wonders 1 Royal Clarence A 4; New Inn 1 New Inn Flyers 4; Royal Clarence B 1 Shipwrecked 4; Beer Mariners 1 Kingfisher Stars 4.

**Division Three:** Lamb Visitors 2 Lamb (mutton) 3; Axe Cliff Mixed 2 Kings Jesters 3; Cloakham Lawns O New White Hart 3 (default win).

## Hansford's Plate

**Semi-final:** Golden Wonders w/o Kings Arms scr.

**Final** (Whitford Warriors v Golden Wonders) to be played at Mariners' Hall, Beer on Tuesday, September 26th.

Division One	Pld	Pts
Golden Hind B	17	61
Kingfisher A	17	53
Gerrard Arms B	15	48
Whitford Warriors	17	43
Fishers	16	41
Ship Castaways	17	41
Colyton FC	15	35
Axe Cliff B	15	33
Kingfisher Rebels	17	30
Kings Arms A	16	20

Division Two	Pld	Pts
New Inn Flyers	15	48
Golden Wonders	15	44
Shipwrecked	15	41
Royal Clarence A	15	39
Beer Mariners	15	35
New Inn 1	15	35
Eyre Court A	15	34
Kingfisher Stars	15	34
Royal Clarence B	13	18

Division Three	Pld	Pts
White Hart Movers	15	45
New White Hart	14	42
Seaton Town FC A	14	41
Axe Cliff Mixed	15	37
Lamb Visitors	15	36
Lamb Mutton	15	33
Kings Jesters	14	33
Gerrard Red Balls	12	30
Cloakham Lawns	12	23

## skittles

### Axminster League

**Men's Knock Out Cup 1st round:** B&Gs 405 (M Enticott 82) v Seaton BC 368 (T Hurley-Smith 68); Tuckers Maggots 314 (C Hembrow 56) v Wootton Cowboys 285 (R Heddictch 61) Ax FC A 279 (D Sloman 54) v Gerrard D 258 (W Mudd 53) Kingfisher A 276 (A Neill 54) v Red Devils 310 (B Huntley 63); Red Lion D 412 (T Herbert 76) v Gerrard B 406 (J Salter 82); Lamb 49rs 302 (J Short 57) v AX FC IV 289 (J Chapple 57); Thorncombe B 348 (C Atyeo 68) v WH Wilms B 357 (P Stanaway 72); Colcombe Nomads 361 (R Fielder 75) v Tuckers Old Boys 352 (B Dale 66) Gerrard C 331 (B Webber 63) v Green Army 343 (R Chapple D Kelland 63); Old Inn Kilm B 315 (M Prideaux 60) v Kings Wingers 328 (W Curnoe 65) Ax Inn A 289 (T Pratt 55) v New Inn C 353 (R Webb 70); Kings Arms Seaton 353 (K Tozer 68) v Thorncombe A 329 (N Hawker 60) New Inn A 320 (A Rees 58) v New Inn Hawks 324 (D George 62) W H Wilms A 404 (P Jeffery 78) v Tuckers Y 352 (R Burrough 64) Thorncombe C 356 (C Ellis 65) v W H Warriors 339 (D Gammon 63); Ship Rotary 335 (R Woolland 69) v Old Inn Kilm A 375 (M Collier 69) Ax Con A 314 (S Hawkins 58) v New Inn B 302 (D Joyce 58) Cloakham Stars 350 (J Aldridge 68) v Ax FC B 357 (A Elmes 65).

### Ladies Knock Out

**Cup 1st Round:** Bees Knees 362 (K Lloyd-Hughes 68) v Seaton BC 359 (H Smith B Thompson 63) Rousdon Ladies 325 (E Beviss 59) v Colcombe Angels 312 (B Bracey 57) Colcombe Girls 365 (M Wills 76) v Thorncombe Newtops 346 (W Burls 63); Tuckers B 290 (K Laing 53) v Cloakham A 293 (C Craven 61) B & J's Cloakham 375 (J Baguley 77) v Ax FC Battleaxes 330 (S Bennett 74) W H Wilms A 353 (A Pammenter 66) v Red Lion A 340 (E Bulmer 71) Thorncombe A 285 (Kim Gaylard 51) v New Inn A 315 (P Hurford 62) Wotnots 275 (C Phillips 54) v Colcombe A 237 (A Oden 47) Ax Inn A 313 (S Boyland 59) v New Inn B 291 (S Hurford 62) Colcombe B 381 (C Collier 58) Wilton 72) v Ax Inn Allsorts 331 (P Kowal 65).



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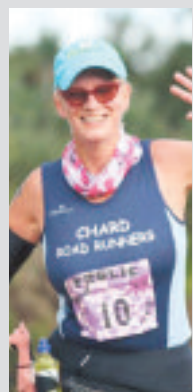
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## Glovers draw a blank

**Yeovil Town 0  
Cheltenham Town 0**

*SkyBet League 2 - att: 2,732*

YEOVIL Town's form continues to stutter after they were held to a 0-0 draw by Gary Johnson's Cheltenham Town.

Whilst their away form has been poor having lost all three games and conceding 15 goals, the fans have been encouraged by two wins from two at home.

In their last home game against Coventry City, after the first 20 minutes, they settled down to play some attractive and incisive football, that if regularly repeated would win more than lose, and bring the crowd back to Hush Park.

Unfortunately that didn't happen against the Robins who looked like the team with home advantage as they pinned Yeovil in their own half, with the Glovers only getting over the halfway line in the last 15 minutes.

Cheltenham are by no means world beaters but looked to break forward at every opportunity and tested keeper Artur Krysiak so much that he earned the player of the match award for his display including three superb saves to thwart the visitors.

No real blame can be pinned on the forwards, who without the ammunition, were powerless, and midfield appears an area where Way needs to look to.

Johnson who led the Glovers from the Conference to Championship over two spells at Hush Park, and who had heart surgery earlier in the year, will feel that perhaps his side should have taken all three points.

**Stuart Broom**

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Glovers' manager Darren Way, whilst disappointed in the result, praised his side's resilience in not conceding.

He told BBC Somerset: "I think that if we perhaps look at last year, certainly in the last 10 minutes, then a goal would have flown in.

"So I have to be pleased with how resilient the group was in defending, considering we have conceded a few goals."

Yeovil, currently 17th, face four matches against teams currently below them during this month and will be looking to recreate their recent form against the Sky Blues to prevent a relegation battle before autumn is out.

Way has started with the

same team for the last three matches, so it was good to see Jake Gray given 15 minutes, and he showed he could earn a midfield place for Tuesday's home fixture with Morecambe.

Saturday saw the return of Kevin Dawson to Hush following his move to Cheltenham in the summer, and whilst he didn't do too much that hurt

Yeovil, it was good to see him stay on the pitch for the whole 90 minutes or at least not receive a yellow card!



**■ CLEAN SHEET BOOST:** Darren Way



**Cidemen**  
by numbers

Sky Bet League Div Two (46)	Pld	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts
Exeter City	6	5	1	0	11	5	6	16
Accrington Stanley	6	4	1	1	14	8	6	13
Notts County	6	4	1	1	11	7	4	11
Crewe Alexandra	6	3	2	1	10	5	5	11
Stevenage	6	3	2	1	10	7	3	11
Wycombe Wanderers	6	3	2	1	13	11	2	11
Barnet	6	3	1	2	10	6	4	10
Coventry City	6	3	1	2	6	3	3	10
Swindon Town	6	3	1	2	8	9	-1	10
Mansfield Town	6	2	3	1	12	8	4	9
Lincoln City	6	2	2	2	9	6	3	9
Newport County	6	2	3	1	9	6	3	9
Luton Town	6	2	2	2	13	8	5	8
Colchester United	6	2	1	3	10	10	0	7
Cambridge Utd	6	2	1	3	4	6	-2	7
Carlisle Utd	6	2	1	3	8	11	-3	7
<b>YEOVIL TOWN</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>7</b>
Crawley Town	6	2	0	4	7	8	-1	6
Grimsby Town	6	2	0	4	8	13	-5	6
Morecambe	6	1	2	3	4	7	-3	5
Cheltenham Town	6	1	1	4	5	10	-5	4
Forest Green Rovers	6	1	1	4	5	10	-5	4
Chesterfield	6	1	1	4	5	14	-9	4
Port Vale	6	1	0	5	5	9	-4	3

### Top scorers (all comps)

1. Olufela Olomola ..... 4
2. Francois Zoko ..... 3
3. Otis Khan ..... 2

### Most Bookings

- 1= Connor Smith ..... 2
- 1= Olufela Olomola ..... 2
- 1= Sid Nelson ..... 2

### Appearances

- 1= Olufela Olomola ..... 6
- 1= Francois Zoko ..... 6
- 1= Otis Khan ..... 6
- 1= James Bailey ..... 6
- 1= Ryan Dickson ..... 6
- 1= Artur Krysiak ..... 6
- 1= Connor Smith ..... 6
- 1= Nathan Smith ..... 6

### What's next? Upcoming fixtures

TONIGHT v MORECAMBE (H, 7.45pm) Lge 2  
Saturday, Sept 16th v Grimsby Town (A) Lge 2  
Saturday, Sept 23rd v PORT VALE (H, 3pm) Lge 2  
Tuesday, Sept 26th v Chesterfield (A, 7.45pm ko) Lge 2

## Full sails for Frost



**◆ WELL DONE:**  
Race Officer,  
Chris Jones  
congratulates  
Andrew Frost  
on winning the  
Sutton Bingham  
RS Tera Open  
Meeting

### ◆ CUP TRIUMPH:

The Ilminster Bowls Club team pictured with the Turnbull Cup after their victory at Bath - see more inside.

Line-up, standing from left; Ian Lightfoot, Neil Rowe, Levi Hem-brow, Derek Bassett, Tony Bickle. Middle; Barry Sims, Alan Holt, Dave Pugh, Jonny Kingston, Colin White, Steve Peasland. Front; Kevin Hamilton, Bev Brister, Peter Mattravers, Chris Robinson (Team Manager), Eric Keitch, Will Anderson, Tony Peterson.

